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DIARY AND CONSULTATION BOOK

OF

1724

(VOLUME NO. 54)

[*From January 1 to December 30*]

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1723-24*—

The Consultation and Diary Book of Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. President and Governour &ct. Council their Proceedings and transactions in the Affairs of the Honble. United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies in the Presidency of the Coast of Coromandell &ca. begun the 1st January 1723/4.

Ship Catherine Capt. William Hurst arriv'd from Bengall. 2

At a Consultation

Present

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Govr. President.
Nathanll. Turner. Richd. Benyon. Jno. Emmerson.
Randall Fowke. James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Friday the 3d.

The Goodfellow being now ready to sail for Fort St. David and they having been a long time in want of Europe Men there

Europeans being wanted at Fort St. David 18 to be sent on the Good fellow.

Agreed to send eighteen soldiers down upon her to that place.

The Indentures which we were this year order'd to sign being produc'd to the Board to be comply'd with & read over, it appear'd that in the beginning of them there were several blanks which could not be fill'd up with any certainty of being right and as our Honble Masters tell us that the least fault therein would vitiate the whole

The indentures sent out to be sign'd, produc'd and read, which cannot be fill'd up here and therefore

Agreed that we desire them in our next Letter to fill up some at home which they can do from the Counterparts Lodg'd in their office whereas the Gentlemen here have most of them lost their indentures so that thô we had known [how] to fill them up, not above ten or twelve pair could have been executed.

it is desir'd that some may be fill'd up in Engd.

The Company's Merchants being call'd in upon a complaint of the Cloth made by the Warehousekeeper were told that we could not take in such stuff as they brot. us and that if they would not bring better we must insist on an abatement, to which they reply that the demand for Cloth hath of late years been so much larger yn. formerly and so many more markets that they cannot promise every piece shall come up to muster and that as they never got much by the Company's Contract, so they now do not get more being oblig'd to keep vast Sums of money in the Country

The Compas. Merchts. call'd in upon a Compt. of the Cloth Made by the Warehousekr.

and take what they can get for that now when they complain to the weaver that the Cloth is not good, he tells them if they won't buy, others will, so that to comply with their Contract, they are oblig'd to take in a great deal which they are sensible ought to be better but that they can get no other and as it costs them as much as formerly, they can make no abatement and that we may if we please refuse it. They then withdrew and their answer being debated it was AGREED that we cannot at this time come to any abatem^{t}. nor turn out all short of Muster for that a Ship lying upon demorage would be of much worse Consequence to our Honble Masters than taking in some Goods rather worse than usual.

Land Custom^{rs}. Acco^{t}. for Decr. read.

James Hubbard Land Customer reads that Acco^{t}. for last month Viz^{t}.

Choultry Customs	P.	267 : 12 : 66
Ruby Brokerage		21 : 9 : 45
Registring Slaves		— 24 —
Pag^{s}.		289 : 10 : 31

Ballance due from him Pagod^{s}. two hundred, sixty nine, twenty one fanams and thirty one Cash.

Genl. Lett^{r}. to Bengall read.

General Letter to Bengall design'd ℔ Mocha Galley read and sign'd relating to the thirty Chests of silver dem^{d}. by them.

the old Hospital at Fort St. David to be sold.

The Gentlemen of Fort S^{t}. David having in their Letter of the 9th. of November propos'd to us the selling the old Hospital there and it being no ways likely to be further serviceable to our Honble. Masters since it is intirely out of repair,

AGREED that it be sold for the most they can get.

Paym^{r}. pays in 40 Pag^{s}. for an old Coach.

Randall Fowke Paymaster pays forty Pag^{s}. for the Coach which [M^{r}. Pyke] had bought at Batavia and was bro^{t}. from Bencoolen on the Metchlepatam and AGREED formerly to be sold being intirely useless.

New rent roll sign'd.

Joseph Houghton Rentall general and Scavinger produces a new rent roll which is AGREED to and sign'd amounting to Viz^{t}.

Acco^{ts}. Quit rent	2300 : 15	—	
Scavinger's duty	1036 : 25	—	
Pag^{s}.	3337 : 4	: —	

Paym^{r}. adv^{d}. 3500 Pag^{s}.

ORDER'D to advance the Paymaster three thousand five hundred Pagodas.

N. ELWICK.
NATH^{L}. TURNER.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

4 Rec^{d}. a General Letter from the Cheif & Factors at Tellicherry.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATURDAY THE 4TH.

NATHANIEL ELWICK ESQ^{R}. GOVERN^{R}. PRESIDENT.
NATHAN^{L}. TURNER. RICH^{D}. BENYON. JN^{O}. EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

Cash Acco^{t}. for Decr. read.

Cash Acco^{t}. for the month of December read Ballance remaining twenty eight thousand five hundred sixty nine Pagodas, fourteen fanams and seventy Cash.

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Journal Parcells for the month of November read. Jo. Parcells for Novr. read.

General Letter recd this morning from Tellicherry dated the 11th. December read relating to the dispute with the French as also an attestation of a french Gunner with his reasons for deserting their Service. Lettr. from Tellicherry.

Resolv'd that the substance of the said Letter with copy of the said attestation be sent to Pondicherry as soon as possible. Substance thereof [to be] sent to Pondicherry.

N. Elwick.
Nathll. Turner.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Ship Catherine Capt. William Hurst sail'd to the Malabar Coast. 5

dispatch'd a letter to the Governr. & Council of Pondicherry. 6

The Mocha Galley Capt. Thomas Dixon sail'd for Bengall by whom forwarded a lettr. to the Presidt. & Council there dated the 3d. Inst. —

Ship Walpole (belonging to the Honble. Company) Capt. Charles Boddam Commandr. arriv'd from Canton by whom recd. a lettr. from Messrs. Savage and Pratt. 7

Sail'd the Goodfellow Capt. Thomas Harry to Fort St. David. 8

The Triplicane Joseph Lovell to Bengall.

The Catherine Victor Shee to Bengall.

The King George Capt. Charles Wybergh arrd. from Canton. —

At a Consultation

Present

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Governr. President.
Nathaniel Turner. Richd. Benyon. Jno. Emmerson.
Randall Fowke. James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Wednesday the 8th.

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Mintmaster reads that Accot. for last month Ballance due from him Pags. eighty eight, thirty three fanams and fifty Cash. Mint Accot. for Decr. read.

He likewise produces the Mint register from Janry. 1st. to Ulto. December 1723 to go home. Mint regr. produc'd to go home.

John Emmerson Sea Customer reads his Accot. for last month Vizt. Sea Customrs. Accot. for Decr. read.

Custom on goods exported & imported	...	...	...	...	...	...	359 : 22 : 48	
Do. on grain	...	...	...	...	...	...	43 : 20 : 12	
Anchorage	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	— —
							P. 410 : 6 : 60	

Ballance due from him one thousand one hundred fifty five Pagodas, thirty three fanams and sixty Cash[which]he now pays in and clears that Accot. for the year. Ballance pd. in.

James Hubbard Land Customer pays into Cash[forty]one Pagodas twenty three fanams and thirty 6 Cash being the amount of the Town Conicoply's duty collected at the Choultry these last twelve months and Randall Fowke Receiver pays six hundred fifty one Pag[o]das, five fanams for the amount of the same duty as collected at the Sea Gate, the Particulars are enter'd after this Consultation. Town Conicoply's duty collected at the Sea Gate & Choultry for one year paid in.

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Nathaniel Turner Accomp^{t}. produces,

The Accomp^{t}. produces the Gen^{ll}. Books weh. are sign'd with sev^{ll}. others to be sent home.

Fort S^{t}. George Journal & Leidger commenc^{e}. $\mathfrak{P}^{mo}$. May 1722 Ending ult^{o}. April 1723 which are sign'd.

He likewise produces duplicates of Fort S^{t}. George Journal and Leidger from May 1721 to April 1722.

Fort S^{t}. David Journal and Leidger commencing Primo May 1722 ending Ult^{o}. April 1723.

Vizagapatam D^{o}. commencing D^{o}. ending D^{o}. and Fort S^{t}. George Journal Parcells from $\mathfrak{P}^{mo}$. April 1723 to Ult^{o}. Novr. 1723.

a lett^{r}. from Messrs. Savage & Pratt inclos^{g}. In^{o}. & bill of Lading for the Goods ab^{d}. y^{e}. Walpole and King George.

The Walpole arriving last night bro^{t}. us Invoice and bill of Lading for Goods ab^{d}. y^{e}. said ship and King George for Acco^{t}. of our Honble. Masters as also a General Letter from Messrs. Savage and Prat which is read, the Acco^{ts}. deliv^{d}. the Accompt-ant and an order sign'd to the Capt. for delivery of the Goods.

Arrack rent for Decr. paid in.

Henry Crawford Farmer of the Arrack and Wine License pays into Cash Pagod^{s}. three hundred thirty five for last month's rent of that Farm.

Petition of F. Hugonin for leave to lay down his Post.

M^{r}. Francis Hugonin Gunner delivers in a Petition which is read and enterd hereafter desiring leave to lay down the Honble. Company's Service & go home which is granted, the vacancy occasion'd thereby,

M^{r}. Murray to succeed.

It is AGREED shall be fill'd up by M^{r}. David Murray who has for many years serv'd our Honble. Masters as Second Gunner of the Fort and always behav'd himself soberly and diligently in that employ.

[Capt.] Holden delivers a paper relating to Chest of Coral lost. examination of the [pap]er defer'd.

Capt. Richard Holden delivers in a paper relating to a Chest of Coral lost when he was here the last Voyage as also a letter from M^{r}. Tobbin to him relat^{g}. thereto which are read and enterd after this Consultation.

There being several passages in the late President M^{r}. Hastings's books referr'd to in the said papers which are not Ready and M^{r}. Tobbin being out of order the Board thought fit to defer the examination till Friday morning.

N. ELWICK.
NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

Acco^{r}. of the Town Conicoply's duty collected at the Sea Gate for one year ending ult^{o}. December 1723.

1722/3	January ...	104 : 17 : 40	August ...	23 : 26 : —
	February ...	150 : 15 : 60	September ...	33 : 24 : 25
1723	March ...	221 : 22 : 5	October ...	49 : 1 : 20
	April ...	47 : 14 : 30	November ...	2 : 24 : 40
	May	53 : 25 : 70	December ...	— — —
	June	84 : 7 : 55		
	July	30 : 5 : 55	Pag^{s}.	801 : 5 : —

deduct the Accustomary allowances

The Town Conicoply's ...	100 — —	
The Receiver's	50 — —	
		150 — —
	Pag^{s}.	651 : 5 : —

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Acco^{t}. of the Town Conicoply's duty Collected at the Choultry for one year ending Ult^{o}. December 1723.

January	...	P. 2 : 24 : 50	August	...	P. 4 : 9 : 49
February	...	4 : 20 : 35	September	...	4 : 23 : 8
March ...	...	3 : 26 : 43	October	...	6 : 7 : —
April ...	...	2 : 25 : 26	November	...	3 : 27 : 64
May ...	...	4 : 33 : 35	December	...	3 : 14 : 15
June ...	...	6 : 30 : 6			Pag^{s}. 51:23:36
July ...	...	3 : 33 : 25			

To the Honble. Nathan^{ll}. Elwick Esqr.

President^{r}. & Govern^{r}. of Fort S^{t}. Geo^{r}. &c^{a}. Council.

Hon^{rle}. S^{r}. & S^{rs}.

My affairs requiring my Presence in Great Brittain obliges me to request your Hon^{r}. &c^{ns}. leave to lay down the Honble. Company's Service and permit me to take my passage upon one of the Ships now intended for England

I am
Hon^{rle}. S^{r}. &c^{a}.
Fort S^{t}. George Y^{r}. most Obed^{t}. Hum^{ble}. Servt.
8th. January 1723/4. Francis Hugonin.

To the Hon^{rle}. Nath^{ll}. Elwick Esqr.

President & Govern^{r}. of Fort S^{t}. George &c^{a}. Council.

Hon^{rle}. S^{r}. &c^{a}.

In the year 1720 I bro^{t}. with me a chest of Coral consign'd to Simon Francisco Bernal and Francis Hastings Esqr. wch. was deliver'd here ashore, my Purser which sign'd to the bill of Lading having neglected to take them up occasion'd a demand from the Consigners Abraham and Jacob Franco for the said Chest which amounted to £ Sterling 1200 : 9 : 6 and for which I paid them as ℔ their Receipts, it appears since my arrival here that this same Chest was clandestinely conveyd away after the decease of M^{r}. Bernall and no ways bro^{t}. to the Credit of his Acco^{ts}. and having had intelligence that Sumadru the then Conicoply to M^{r}. Hastings did privately sell in the black Town in Mar Kisna's Godown some Coral amounting to Pagod^{s}. 2666 : 35 : — gives me just grounds for suspicion that he was the author of this work and the Person that committed the theft, therefore request this Honble. Board will make use of their authority in sending for the Merchants that bo^{t}. the Coral and examine them about it as also afford me your assistance in bringing to light this affair which has tended so much to the detriment of my estate as well as my reputation. I am

Hon^{rle}. S^{r}. &c^{a}.
Fort S^{t}. George Y^{r}. most Obed^{t}. Hum^{ble}. Servt.
Jan^{ry}. 8th. 1723/4. Richard Holden.

To Capt. Richard Holden

S^{r}.

Conformable to an order of the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Thomas Wendey's on your Request to him concerning a Chest of Coral mention'd in Mar Kisna's Acco^{t}. with Sumdrue of which M^{r}. Charles Fleetwood acquainted You, I therefore Refer you to the following relation of what I heard from Mar Kisna or can learn from M^{r}. Hastings's books concerning it.

About the 28th. of Novr. last I was desir'd by the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Thomas Wendey, M^{r}. George Tullie and Mr Charles Fleetwood Attorneys for Mar Kisna to give the particulars of his debts to M^{r}. Hastings's Estate and also to translate & state his Acco^{t}. with Sumadru, in doing which I found that Mar Kisna debted Sumadrue

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Pag^{a}. 228 for his half profit on a Chest of Coral sold by them in the black town in March 1721. I was surpris'd to find so much gain'd on one Chest of Coral from one hand to the other knowing well that Coral sold that year for less than Principal and happen'd then to say that I believ'd that [was] the Chest Capt. Holden wanted, M^{r}. Charles Fleetwood being present and observing what I said ask'd Mar Kisna how he and Sumadrue came by that Chest or of whom did they [buy] it to which he reply'd as follows or words to the same purpose.

" That in March 1721 he was for going to Fort S^{t}. David and wanted money " upon which he apply'd himself to Sumadrue to lend him some, Sumadrue having " no ready money told him that he had a Chest of Coral, he bought of M^{r}. Draper " for pagodas 2210 which he w^{d}. send to Kisna's house in order to be dispos'd of & " that he would give him half the profit upon it & likewise lend him as much as was " necessary of the Produce accordingly the Saturday following Sumadrue took the " Chest out of the Godown opposite to the Company's Cloth Godown and sent it by " one Coopia to Mar Kisna's house and order'd two Peons to [watch] it till Sunday " in the afternoon when Sumadrue wth. the said Coopia and Merchants came and " broke open the Chest where they weigh'd and agreed & sold the Coral all which " amounted to Pag^{s}. 2666 : 33—& Sumadrue gave him a note on Nairo Chinnatombee " to Receive Pagod^{s}. 1957 : 34—of the same, and that in October following after he " was imprison'd by the President and Council, the said Sumadrue came to him and " alledg'd he was considerably in his debt and desir'd he would give him a note under " his hand for Pag^{s}. 4425 of which he mention'd the Coral 2000 Pagodas and the " Rest he would give him an Acco^{t}. of when Mar Kisna should be at liberty or " should come to adjust their Acco^{ts}. which he accordingly consented to but now finds " that Sumadrue rec^{d}. the before ment^{d}. Sum out of M^{r}. Hastings's Cash which occasions " his great Debt to that Gentleman's estate."

Indeed I was always suspicious of that entry in M^{r}. Hastings's Cash Book and thought it very unreasonable of the then Accomptant to pay Mar Kisna the Sum of 4425 Pagodas for Coral &c^{a}. for which he was never Credited when at same time he was the Sum of 2000 Pagodas in M^{r}. Hastings's debt and also imprison'd and when likewise M^{r}. Hastings was daily importun'd by the Gov^{t}. & Council for Cash to defray their Charges Garrison, But as I knew that M^{r}. Hastings was then incapable of inspecting into his Acco^{ts}. and that he gave the Accomp^{t}. a general release under his hand and Seal I thought it insignificant for me ever to mention it.

After Mar Kisna gave the above Acco^{t}. of the Chest of Coral M^{r}. Fleetwood desir'd me to inspect into M^{r}. Hastings's books and see if Sumadrue was debted for the Same in whose Acco^{t}. with the deceas'd there is no mention of that or any other Coral.

Wherefore to prevent your Suspicion (or my imployer's) that I shou'd conceal or favour any Person on this affair my opinion is that there past a Chest of Coral between these two favourites of the late President Dec^{a}. or the then Accomp^{t}. more than is bro^{t}. to Acco^{t}. on his Books in the manner beforemention'd for which his estate is no ways accountable and whereas my Imployer requires me to relate the truth of what I know or can find out by the Dec^{ds}. books for your better satisfaction I hereunder refer you to the very entry's of what Coral rec^{d}. in the year 1720 from on board the Mary, Duke of Cambridge and Derby Viz^{t}.

First.—I refer you to a paper drawn up by M^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Fowler who weigh'd all the Coral wherein he mentions the Marks numbers and weights and the Persons by whom consign'd to see if any of them agrees with the Contents of the Cajan which I hear are in M^{r}. Fleetwood's hands.

Secondly.—It appears by the Dec^{ds}. Books that there was no Coral sold about that time that the aforesaid Chest was dispos'd of nor any permitted to be carry'd to any Godown out of the inner Fort till such time as the Company's Customs were agreed on, but this I can myself affirm that M^{r}. Hastings sent me to the house where

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Mr. Bernall dy'd the day after he was bury'd, to talk to a Spanish Servant of his and to the best of my Remembrance the [sd.] Servant shew'd me one or two Chests which he said were of Coral but what became of them afterwards I can't [tell].

THIRDLY AND LASTLY.—There is an entry made the 4th. Octr. 1721 in the deceased's Cash book for Pags. 36584 the produce of Coral sold then and the same day an entry made in the Journal when each of the Coral Merchants have respectively Credit and agreeing with the above sum recd. likewise the 13o. December following there is an entry made of Pags. 5377 the produce of Coral sold and carry'd to the credit of the Persons that consign'd it all which agreed with the number of Chests &cs. mention'd in the Paper drawn up by Mr. Fowler.

FORT St. GEORGE
3d. JANUARY 1723/4.

I am
Ss.
Yr. most Humble Servant
JAMES TOBBIN.

Recd. a Genll. Letter from the Cheif & Council of Vizagapatam. 9
Ketch Goodhope (Mr. Emmerson owner) arrd. from Vizagm. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

NATHANIEL ELWICK Esqr. Governr. PRESIDENT.
NATHANLL. TURNER. RICHD. BENYON. JNO. EMMERSON. FRIDAY THE 10TH.
RANDALL FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

General Letter from Vizagapatam dated the 2d. Jan. read. Genl. Lettr. from Vizagm. read.

George Drake Storekeepr. reads that Accot. for last mo. Ballance due from him six hundred thirty two Pagodas twenty fanams and thirty Cash. Storekrs. Accot. for Desr. read.

The affair of the Coral being taken into consideration and Capt. Holden attending the Board the Representation & Letter were again read after which Mr. Hastings's Cash book was produc'd wherein were the following entrys Viz. Capt. Holden's affair of the Coral taken into consideration. Mr. Hastings's Cash book produc'd, as

ON THE DEBTOR SIDE

1721
October ... To Coral Sold—amounting to ... 36584 : 29 : 40

ON THE CREDITOR SIDE

October ... By Mar Kisna for Coral & sundry Goods as p his note ... ... 4425 : — :—

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likewise his Journal.

Mr. Hastings's Journal being produc'd there was found an entry for Pagodas 36584 : 29 : 40 wherein Coral is debted to the several owners that sum for their proportions of the said Coral sold which in one article is credited as above in Cash.

Papers produc'd by Capt. Holden.

These papers were produc'd by Capt. Holden together with an Acco[t]. of two parcells of Coral said to be sold in the Black Town by Sumadrue amounting to Pag[s]. 2666 : 33 fro which it was urg'd that as it plainly appear'd there was none of the Coral sold by Mr. Hastings that amounted to that Sum, it was reasonable to believe Sumadrue had convey'd away the Chest in dispute and sold it for the Sum of 2666 : 33—and thereupon Capt. Holden desir'd Sumadrue might give an Acco[t]. thereof.

Sumadrue at the desire [of] Capt. Holden call'd in [who] delivers in an Acco[t]. Curr[t]. of Coral in Co between him and Mar Kisna

Sumadrue being then call'd upon deliver'd in an Acco[t]. of Coral bo[t]. in C°. with Mar Kisna for the Sum of Pag[s]. 3394 : 10 : 65 and sold for 3911 : 31 : 50 of which the said Mar Kisna was to have half the profits as is more particularly express'd in the Acco[t]. enterd after this Consult[n]. on the Credit whereof is an entry of one parcell sold Gredaramjee for the sum of 2413 : 35—and another to Muta Irsapa for 252 : 34 which are the exact sums that he is charg'd with having sold to these People and amounts to 2666 : 33 —after which was produc'd an Acco[t]. Sales of Coral deliver'd by Mr. Draper before his departure to the Presid[t]. and Mr. Benyon amounting to Pagodas 36584 : 29 : 40 wherein are particularly express'd the two Articles charg'd in the debtor side of the said Acco[t]. Coral in C°. the former Sum being 1300 : 32 : 65 is included in an article of 2682 : 3 : 40 pass'd in Mr. Hastings's Journal to the Credit of Mr. Jacob Fernandes Nunes, the other is produce of a Chest of Coral belonging to Mr. Jacob Mendez De Costa and amounts to Pagod[s]. 2093 : 14 —.

and copy of another Acco[t]. Curr[t].

And Further to prove that the said Coral was so bo[t]. by Mar Kisna of Mr. Hastings and that the entry in Mr. Hastings's Cash book was justly charg'd to Mar Kisna's Acco[t]. Sumadrue delivers in Copy of another Acco[t]. Curr[t]. wherein he debts the said Mar Kisna for the Cost of several things which he has accounted for with Mr. Draper who kept the late President's books and wherein the above two articles of Pag[s]. 1300 : 32 : 65 & 2093 : 14 — are included and gives him Credit for 4425 which Mr. Draper had pass'd to the Credit of him the s[d]. Sumadrue as ballance of the said Acco[t]. with Mar Kisna and for which as before specifyd in the Cash book Mar Kisna had given his Note, this Acco[t]. is likewise enter'd after this Consultation.

three Chests appear on the sea Gate register kept by the Conicoplys to have been brot. ashore here.

Capt. Holden to have a certificate thereof.

After this the Board ask'd Capt. Holden, Mr. Tobbin and Mr. Fleetwood which three Gentlemen attended & heard the whole, whether they had any thing more to say or a[ny]objection to make, to which they all reply'd they had [none] only Capt. Holden said he hop'd since he had not been [ask'd] to prove what became of the Chest, the Board would [send] for the register kept by the Sea Gate Conicoplys which was done and upon examining them we found fairly enterd [the] following marks and Numbers F A J N°. 1 J S N°. 7 J M D C [No. 1] brought ashore the 15th. July 1720 in boat No. 5 whereupon the Capt. desir'd he might have a Certificate that we had found such an Acco[t]. that he might satisfy the world he had not convey'd away the Chest and his Reputation be clear'd thereby.

Which it is AGREED to give him.

N. ELWICK.
NATH[L]. TURNER.
RICH[D]. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

1724—3

CORAL IN COMPANY. Dr.

To 2 Chests of Coral bot. of Francis Hastings Esqr. Vizt.—
NF No. 2. 1 Chest qt. 41 Puncheons ℔z 2497¾ @ 4 11/16 ℔ Seer— ... ... 1300 : 32 : 65

JMDC No. 1. 1 Chest qt. Vizt.

Cruzadoes 3 Puncheons. 783½ ounces. @ 7 ℔ Seer 609 : 14 —

Ditto 9 Do. 1272 @ 10½ — 1484 — —

12 Puncheons, ounces 2055½ Pagods. 2093 : 14 —

Pagods. 3394 : 10 : 65

To Mar Kisna's half of Profit on the Sale of Coral— ... ... 258 : 28 : 32

Pagodas. 3653 : 3 : 18

MEMORANDM.

For what Mar Kisna recd. of Greedar-Ramjee ready money ... ... 1915 : 18 —

For what Sumadrue recd. of Do. by Mar Kisna's ordr. for the discompt of his debt ... 1737 : 21 : 18

PAGODS. 3653 : 3 : 18

PER CONTRA Cr.

By Greedar Ramjee sold sevll. person Vizt.
Greedar Ramjee.
Paum Wardapa.
Tomboo ...
Sheva Shankera. } JMDC No. 1. 1 Chest Vizt. Puns.

3	Cruzads. ℔z.			
	784 ozs.	@	8 5/8 ℔ Sa.	751 : 12 : 40
Do.	1273½	@	11¾	1662 : 22 : 40
9				
9				
12 Punchs. qt.	2057½ ozs.		Pagodas	2413 : 35 : —

By Gredar Ramjee sold several Persons Vizt.
NF No. 2·1 Chest mesnanys Vizt.

			ozs.	℔Seer.		
By Shecaula Merchts.	1	Punn. ℔z.	70½ @	6	47 — —	
	1	Do.	72½	6¾	54 : 6 : 30	
	2	Do.	85½	5½	52 : 9 : —	
	20	Do.	1319½	4⅞	714 : 26 : 20	
By Pegu Mooteapa	12	Do.	578¼	5⅞	376 : 29 : —	
By Muta Irsha	5	Do.	371½	6⅛	252 : 34 : —	
	41 Punchs. ozs.		2497¾		Pags.	1497 : 32 : 50
					Pagods.	3911 : 31 : 50
deduct Greedais ¼ Pt. & Sumadrue ¼ Pt. of Profit ...						258 : 28 : 32
					PAGODS.	3653 : 3 : 18

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Mar Kisna.		Dr. Pag fa Ca	Per Contra.	Cr. Pag fa Ca
To Rice 45 Garse 380 Pags.				
Mercalls @ 41 ℙ Ga.	1883 : 34 : 16		By your ballance.	
deduct what sold for Mercals.			which Mr. Joshua	
ready moy. 35. 113¾.	1446 : 22 : 76		Draper gives me	
		437 : 11 : 20	Credit	4425 — —
To Nina Taker Bill of Exchange recd.				
of him in pt.		230 : — : —		
[lb.]				
To Plate Copper 1208½ @ 66 ℙ Candy.		153 : 13 : 75		
To Coral beads 2 Chests Vizt.				
Nf No°. 2. 1 Chest qt. measuanys	41			
ozs.				
Puncheons ℙz 2497¾ @ 4 11/16 ℙ Seer				
ozs.				
2497 ¾ ...	1300 : 32 : 65			
Jmdc No°. 1. 1 Chest qt. Vizt.				
ozs.				
Cruzadoes 3 pun 783 ½ @				
7 ℙ Seer 609 : 14 : —				
Do. 9 Do. 1272				
@ 10½. 1484 — —	2093 : 14 : —			
2055½				
Ounces 4553¼		3394 : 10 : 65		
To Sadasherow's bill of Exchange paid				
Juggoo		210 : — —		
	Pagods.	4425 : — —		

10 Dispatch'd a Genll. Lettr. to the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David of this date.

12 Sail'd the Mary James Formon for Fort St. David.

13 The Ingeram Merchant (belonging to Mr. Blunt) arriv'd from Ingeram by whom recd. a General Letter.

— Brigantine Cassimbuzar David Ross Mastr. arrd. from Mergy.

At a Consultation

Present

Nathanll. Elwick Esqr. Governr. President.
Nathanll. Turner Richd. Benyon. Jno. Emmerson.
Randall Fowke. James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Wednesday the 15°.

Petition of Mr. Robt. Berriman read.

Mr. Robert Berriman delivers to the Board a Petition for leave to go home wherein he desires to be excus'd the permission money which Petition is read and enter'd after this Consultation.

permitted to go home but to pay the permission money.

Agreed that he be permitted to go home but that we cannot excuse him from paying the money.

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The Secretary presents a Seal'd paper directed to them Presents to the Board which he receiv'd this morning from Mr. Peter Shelley which is opened and found to be a request of the said Shelley's to be inform'd what resolution we are come to in relation to the paper which he deliver'd us sometime since about his accounts and the money that is stopp'd at the West Coast. Mr. Shelley's paper read.

AGREED that till we have further advices from Bencoolen we can come to no resolution about the affair and that the Secretary do acquaint Mr. Shelley that these are our Sentiments of this matter. referr'd to advices from the West Coast.

Randall Fowke Paymaster reads that Acco^{t}. for last month Viz^{t}. Paymastrs. Acco^{ts}. Decr. read.

Charges Garrison	2022 : 23 : —
Charges General	655 : — 75
Materials for Packing	96 : 15 : 50
Garden house Barracks	17 : 13 : 70
Bombay Presidency	40 — —
Charges Cattle	118 : 25 : 5
Repairs of Fortifications	99 : 34 : 35
Charges extraordinary	19 : 16 : 65
Horse Furniture	17 : 6 : —
Charges diet	583 : 12 : —
Fort Marlbrô	1 : — —
Pag^{s}.	3671 : 3 : [60]

Ballance due to him Pagodas two thousand one hundred seventy one, three fanams and sixty Cash which is paid him.

The extraordinary Expence being examin'd into was found to arise from the following Particulars Viz^{t}. Extra Expence ex^{d}.

	Pag.	fa.	Ca.
CHARGES GENERAL.			
Piscash given to Sundry Persons as usual on Christmas day	24 :	19 :	—
MATERIALS FOR PACKING.			
Screws for the Wareh^{o}. Workmen & Materials	96 :	15 :	50
GARDEN HOUSE BARRACKS.			
Materials us'd & Workmen employ'd	17 :	13 :	70
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY.			
Allowance money to the Dec^{d}. Widow Cowse's Children and to Mr^{s}. Burton and her Children.	40 :	—	—
HORSE FURNITURE.			
2 Saddles	17 :	6 :	—
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY.			
Diet to 13 Prisoners as p^{r} Marsh^{ls}. note ... ... 11 : 18 : 65			
Diet to 4 West Coast Coffrees ... ... 6 — —			
P^{d}. a Soldier on the Christning his Child ... ... 1 — —			
Rattans 2 bundles dd the Marsh^{ll}. ... ... — 24 —			
	19 :	16 :	65 [*sic*]
MARLBRÔ. FORT.			
Paid Zacheas Bradley Corporal his Wife	1 :	—	—
PAGOD^{s}.	215 :	35 :	25

The Renters and Cheif Inhabitants of the villages who were by agreement in Consultation of the 28th. November last to take their oaths to the Acco^{t}. of the produce of said villages for the year 1720, now deliver in their depositions wch. are enter'd after this Consultation. Depositions of the rent^{s}. & Inhabitants of the Villages.

AGREED that they be sworn in the most solemn manner before the image and that then we will allow the Acco^{ts}. and pay back the money over received. they to be sworn and then to be allow'd the overplus.

ORDER'D that the Comp^{as}. Cheif Braminy see this perform'd. The Braminy to see it perform'd.

Answer to the Accomptants Letter read and AGREED. Answer to the Accompt^{s}. Lettr. read & agreed.

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Mr. Drake pays in money for bills of Exch^{a}.

Mr. George Drake pays into Cash four hundred Pag^{s}. for first, second & third bill of Exchange dated the 13°. Instant payable at 8^{s} ℔ Pagoda thirty days after sight to Mr. Robert Dymond or order value rec^{d}. of the said George Drake.

[. . .] Presid^{t}.

The President pays into Cash eighteen hundred Pagodas for first, second and third bill of Exchange dated the 13°. Ins^{t}. to The order of Mr. Peter Christopher Le Noin [?] at eight Shillings ℔ Pag^{s}. and thirty days sight for value rec^{d}. of Alexander Legou.

Edward Parry to have Commission for Ensign.

Edward Parry being recommended by our Honble. Masters to be made an Ensign and he having a good Character for sobriety

Agreed that he have a Commission given him so soon as the Ships are gone.

Ingeram Genl^{l}. Lett^{r}. read.

General Letter from Mr. John Blunt dated 1st. January 1723/4 read inclosing Invoice and bill of Lading for ninety three bales of Cloth on board the Ingeram Merchant upon which the Board adjourn'd to the sorting Godown and having examin'd several bales

[The] Cloth that is wash'd to be put ab^{d}. the Essex, and the brown Cloth to be got ready for the Walpole.

Agreed to put all that is wash'd on board the Essex and get the brown Cloth ready for the Walpole it proving to be a good well made Cloth and what we believe will be satisfactory to our Honble Masters.

N. Elwick.
Nath^{ll}. Turner.
Rich^{d}. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall Fowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

To the Honble. Nath^{ll}. Elwick Esqr.
Presid^{t}. & Govr. of Forts S^{t}. George & S^{t}. David &c^{a}. Council.

The Petition of Robert Berriman

Humbly Sheweth

Whereas your Petitioner is desirous to take his Passage for England on the Mary, he now humbly requests liberty of your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. and hopes for your favour as to license money having serv'd a great while.

Fort S^{t}. George
13° January 1723/4.

Y^{r}. Petitioner
Shall as in duty bound pray.

To the Honble. Nathan^{ll}. Elwick Esqr.
President & Govr. of Fort S^{t}. Geo^{R}. &c^{a}. Council.

Honble. S^{R}. &c^{a}.

On the 11th. Past I wrote a Letter to your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. desiring Redress for several grievances committed on my estate by Mr. Lewis Deane Deputy Govr. &c^{a}. Council of Fort Marlbrô and the Europe Shipping being upon their departure I am entirely in the dark as not knowing how to proceed in that affair till have your Hon^{r}. &c^{as}. answer thereto which if delay'd will not only be a disappointm^{t}. but of great detriment to

Fort S^{t}. George
13TH. January 1723/4.

Honble. S^{R}. &c^{a}.
Y^{r}. most obed^{t}. Hum^{ble}. Servant
Peter Shelley.

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TRANSLATE of a deposition given by the cheif Inhabitants Conicoplys and managers of Persia walk, Tondah woor Village and Egmore.

To the Hon^{BLE}. Nath^{L}. Elwick Esq^{R}.
Presid^{T}. & Govern^{R}. &c^{A}. Council.

We the Subscribers hereby solemnly declare that the produce of the three abovementioned villages amounted to Pagodas 428 : 26 : 10 and no more in the year 1720 which Sum to our certain knowledge was paid the Renter and we are ready to be sworn to the truth thereof before our Image Chinnacasuah Swameh.

Surrapa Moodalare.
Kisna Reddee.
Tellisingo.
Ponapah.
Tagapah.
Translated ℔ Paupa Braminy — Comrapah.
Annah Moodaleh.
Poodawah.
Verdapa.
Hyreddy.

TRANSLATE of a deposition given by the Cheif Inhabitants Conicoplys and managers of Trivitore, Sautenguard, Cutta Walk, Lingum Bauk and Versalah Waddah Villages.

To the Hon^{BLE}. Nath^{L}. Elwick Esq^{R}.
Presid^{T}. & Govern^{R}. &c^{A}. Council.

We the Subscribers hereby solemnly declare that in the year 1720 the abovemention'd Villages produc'd Pagod^{S}. 436 : 10 : 30 and no more which Sum to our certain knowledge was paid the Renter to the truth whereof we will be sworn before the image Chinnacasuah Swameh.

Translated ℔ Paupa Braminy

Lingapa.
Tandawarayam.
Venkatachelum.
Narranepah.
Tellisingo.
Venkaty.
Vellapah.
Mootapillah.
Verapah.
Venkatadree.
Andeapa.

Ship Ballaramadoo, Girkane Paulu arriv'd from Ganjam. 15
Sloop Benjamin Samuel Brasier Master arr^{D}. from Bengall. 17
Rec^{D}. a Gen^{LL}. Lett^{R}. from the Depty Govern^{R}. & Council of Fort S^{T}. David. —
Arriv'd the Sloops

Peter & Paul } Scrivels Leucas Master from Bengall.
Welfare }

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At a Consultation

Present

Tuesday the 21st.

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Governr. President.
Nathanl. Turner. Richd. Benyon. Jno. Emmerson.
Randall Fowke. James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Money paid in for bills of Exchange.

The following Sums being offer'd for bills of Exchange on the Honble. Court of Directors were accepted Viz^{t}.

1st. 2d. & 3d. bill dated the 18th. Inst. at 8 Shillings ℔ Pagoda [and] thirty days sight to the order of Sr. John Lock [value] of Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. and Mr. Richard Benyon for. . . Pags. 5795: 22 :—

1st. 2d. & 3d. bill dated the 18th. Inst. to the order of Monsieur La Vigne Buisson value of the Revd. Father Thomas Capuchin Missionary at Madrass Pags. 559.

3000 Pags. pd. in by Mr. Savage being his advent. on the Walpole for which three receipts are given him.

Mr. John Savage Supra Cargo of Ship Walpole pays in 3000 Pagods. being for the adventure which the Court of Directors allow'd him to bring out on said Ship for which he desires three receipts may be given him which is accordingly done.

Capt. Boddam requests. 1500 bags of Salt Petre

Capt. Boddam Commr. of the Walpole delivers in a request for fifteen hundred bags of Salt Petre without weh. he says he cannot go to Sea.

the Warekr. to send ym. off.

Agreed that the Warehousekr. do send it off.

The cheif Braminy (re)ports his having been with the Persons who subscrib'd the declaration abt. the villages & that they were sworn [in] the most solemn manner.

The cheif Braminy acquaints the board that agreeable to the order of last Consultation he had been with the several Persons who sign'd the declaration about the villages to the Pagoda where they in the most solemn manner took their oaths to the truth of what contain'd in those declarations.

The money is therefore to be paid back to the renters.

Agreed therefore that the money be paid back to the Renters which they paid in the year 1720, for the rent of the Villages more than they really produc'd.

General Letter from Fort St. David read.

General Letter from Fort St. David dated the 15th. Inst. advising what forwardness they were in with Respect to the Cloth and what measures they had taken about the Sallempores and Long Cloth that were worse than muster in order to prevent any ship being kept here for want of Cloth to load her home.

Sevll. Papers for Europe sign'd.

Sign'd a general Letter to the Honble. Court of Directors of this days date likewise an answer to the Accomptant's, Dispatches for ships Mary, Derby and Essex and one to Fort St. David to inclose the necessary Papers for the Derby, to be sent by the Mary thither.

N. Elwick.
Nathl. Turner.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

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Honble. S^r. & S^rs.

My Iron Kentilage not being near sufficient to make my ship Sail worthy I am oblig'd to request your Hon^r. &c^a. will please to let me have one thousand five hundred bags of Salt Petre which is the least that I can venture to go to Sea with. I am

Fort S^t. George
15°. Jan^ry. 1723/4.

Hon. S^r. & S^rs.
Y^r. most hum^ble. Servt.
Charles Boddam.

Rec^d. a General Letter from M^r. John Blunt at Ingeram. 22^D.

Sloop Diana (belonging to the Honble. Govr.) arr^d. from Pegu. —

Sail'd this morning Ships Mary and Essex (belonging to the Honble. Company) for Fort S^t. David in order to proceed for Europe in Company with the Derby, on each of them was forwarded a Pacquet for the Honble Court of Directors and one to be deliver'd to the Commander of the Derby.

Sail'd the Sloops, Peter and Paul, and Welfare for Negapatam. 23

Ship London Joao Constantino Capitao, arriv'd from China. 26

The Ann Ketch (belonging to M^r. Newcome) arriv'd from Vizag.

Rec^d. a General Letter from the Cheif & Council of Vizagap[^m]. 27

At a Consultation

Present

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Govern^r. President.
Nathan^ll. Turner. Rich^d. Benyon. John Emmerson.
Randall Fowke. James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Monday the 27.

James Hubbard Land Customer pays into Cash two hundred sixty nine Pagodas, twenty one fanams & thirty one Cash for ballance of his last month's Acco^t. Land Customr^s. Decr. Ballce. paid in.

Richard Benyon Export Warehousekeeper reads that Acco^t. for last month ballance due to him eight hundred and six Pagodas, twenty fanams and eighteen Cash of which he is now paid eight hundred pagodas. Richard Benyon Expt. Warekrs Accot. for Decr. read.

Richard Benyon Import Warehousek^r. reads that Acco^t. for the last month Ballance due from him nine hundred forty two Pagodas eight fanams and forty nine Cash of which he now pays eight hundred Pagodas. Impt. Warekrs. Accot. for Decr. read.

Poncala Kisna Tobacco and Beetle Farmer pays into Cash five hundred eighty three Pagod^s. twelve fanams for last month's rent of that farm. Tobacco & Beetle Rent for Decr. paid in.

Nundalaul and Gopaul dauze Farmers of the Measuring duty pay into Cash one hundred thirty six Pagodas, twenty four fanams for two months rent of that Farm. Measuring duty for [two] Mos. paid in.

General Letters read Viz^t. General Letters read.

From the Cheif & Council of Vizagapatam dated the 6th. January 1723/4 advising that they had freighted the Jane to bring up three hundred and fifty bales and accompanying their books of Acco^ts. Diary's & Consultations. from Vizagapatam. & from Ingeram.

From M^r. Blunt dated the 7th. Ins^t. to inclose Duplicate Invoice and bill of Lading for the bales on board the Ingeram Merchant wherein he advises the arrival of a french Gentleman to begin an investment at Ingeram.

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[The] Storekeep^{r}. desires payment of money for Plank he had furnish'd the Boat men with.

The Storekeep^{r}. acquaints the Board that in the dead Season of the year he furnish'd the Boatmen with a quantity of Plank to repair and new build their Boats to the amount of about two hundred Pagodas for which he has since frequently demanded the money but they can not pay him and therefore he desires that since they could not have made boats without that plank and consequently the business must have lain still, the Board will order [the] Warehousekeeper to pay him out of what shall become due to them for loading and unloading the Company's Ships upon which the Warehousekeeper inform'd them that the Boatmen are considerably indebted to the Company but that since the beginning of the last year it had been lessen'd upwards of.

their debt being decreased & the necessity for supplying them consider'd

The necessity for supplying the Boatmen with the abovemention'd Plank being consider'd and likewise that they have decreas'd their debt to the Company more than the amo^{t}. of the said Sum and that the busy time of the year is coming on wherein in all probability they will be able to discharge a further part of that debt it [was]

The Wareh^{r}. to pay him.

Agreed that the Warehousek^{r}. do pay the money and debt the Boatmen for the same.

The disposal of the Walpole's Cargo consid^{d}. [of]

The disposal of the Walpole's Cargo being taken into consideration and the Invoice and price Curr^{ts}. here and at the Bay compar'd, It was

Part thereof to be sold here & the rest to be sent to the Bay.

Agreed that the Tutenaigue, Vermilion & Quick Silver be sent to Bengall where they will turn to a better Acco^{t}. than should we sell them here, but the Allom, Sugar, Sugar Candy and China Root being more likely to sell well here than there, it was

Publick notice to be given of the Sale.

Agreed to sell them on Thursday next at the Sea Gate and that a Note be affix'd there to give notice thereof immediately.

The freight to be allow'd the own^{rs}. of the K. Geor^{e}. for the Sugar Candy being then Consider'd of is

The Board then consider'd what freight was to be allow'd for the Sugar Candy which was laden up[on] the King George by Messrs. Savage and Pratt who in the bill of Loading for the same had referr'd it to us, but in regard that several of us are concern'd in the said Ship it was Resolv'd

Agreed shall be adjusted by Messrs. Powney and Medeiros.

That the adjusting the freight be submitted to Messrs. John Powney and Lewis Medeiros who are noways concern'd in the King George and have been us'd to the trade to the Eastward and are consequently the [more] proper Persons to finish this matter.

Poindee Chitty Kisna's Petition of Appeal reconsider'd.

The Petition of appeal of Poindy Chitty Kisna deliver'd in the 21st. of November last being again read it was taken into consideration and the Plaintiff and Defendant appearing,

Mayor'sCourt Proceed^{gs}. [read].

The Proceedings of Court were read wherein judgment was given in favour of Dum Adapa as by the proceedings enter'd after this Consultation will appear.

As also a Translate of a declaration of certain Persons taken before the Dep^{ty}. Gov. & C of Fort St. David that the Bond was given by Dum Addapa in their Presence.

The bond therein mention'd to be forg'd having been sent down to Fort S^{t}. David was there examin'd by the Dep^{ty}. Govern^{r}. & Council and attestations taken before them of 9 persons who all declar'd that to their certain knowledge and in their presence the bond was given by Dum Adapa to the Appealant. Translate of which declaration is read and order'd to be enter'd after this Consultation.

The affair decided in Poindee Chitty Kisna's favour.

Dum Adapa was then ask'd how he could have the impudence to deny the bond when so many of the most reputable Inhabitants of Fort S^{t}. David were witnesses to the truth of it to which he had nothing to say but denying that he gave the bond, neither could he prove he was not at Fort S^{t}. David at the time the bond was dated

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which he said in Court he could do ; on the contrary the date of the bond and of the Acco^{t}. Curr^{t}. upon which he sued agreeing exactly and the Transactions in that Acco^{t}. being intirely relating to Fort S^{t}. David it is AGREED that from all this it appears to us the bond is good and that the said Dum Adapa do make good all damages sustain'd by Poindy Chitty Kisna on this Acco^{t}. and pay the ballance to him.

Several Persons having in this cause as well as others lately offer'd in Court to take their oaths to Facts directly contradicted it was

Punishment agreed to be inflicted on such as shall be prov'd guilty of Perjury.

RESOLV'D that to prevent in future any attempts of this nature whereby the due Course of justice is impeded and sometimes necessarily inverted, The Secretary do affix Notes at the Sea Gate and Choultry declaring that we do resolve hence forward that whoever shall be convicted of Perjury, shall lose his ears, stand in the Pillory and be whipt out of the Bounds which is the same punishment that was formerly inflicted for this Crime but has not been for many years put in Practice.

N. ELWICK.
NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

3$_{D}$. OCTOBER 1723.

Dum Addapa enters an Action against Poindy Chitty Kisna for Pagodas 671 : 4 : 40.

Warrant return'd and serv'd.

Bail'd by Cassy Chitty Narran.

AT A COURT HELD THE 18TH. OF OCTOBER 1723.

Petition read.

Order'd that an answer be made next Court day.

AT A COURT HELD THE 5^{D} NOVEMBER 1723.

Petition read 2^{d}. time.

The Defendant promises to make answer next Court.

AT A COURT HELD THE 15^{D}. NOVEMBER 1723.

Petition read.

answer read.

The Plaintiff produces a stated Acco^{t}. of transactions between him and the Defendant which being read to the latter he makes no material exceptions to any article therein but produces two bonds, one for the Sum of 150 Pagodas and y^{e}. other for 898 Pagod^{s}. which he says are sign'd by the Plaintiff and is money due to him.

The Bench upon examining the Plaintiff's Acco^{t}. Curr^{t}. do find that the Defendant has due Credit for the Bond of 150 Pagodas, as to the other bond the Plaintiff declares is a Forgery and offers his oath he never sign'd the same and desires he may endeavour to make it so appear in open Court.

The Defendant say's there are Witnesses to the Bond which he can send to Fort S^{t}. David for that will proveit a true bond.

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The Plaintiff desires that the Bond of 150 Pagod^{s}. which he acknowledges his signing may be compar'd with the other by the Town Conicoply which is accordingly done and tis reported to the Bench that there is no likeness in the two hands.

The Translate of the bond is read bearing date Fort S^{t}. David 15°. April 1714 and Witnessed by Coila Pilla, Hubbe Rauze and Rangapa Chitty the former of which is now present before the Defendant's Face who just now said both Witnesses were at Fort S^{t}. David who declares to the Bench he never sign'd as Witness thereto ; 'tis mentioned in s^{d}. bond drawn up in the presence of the Witnesses by Conicoply Ramalingum so that the Bench are fully convinc'd that it is a forg'd bond.

For further Proof the Plaintiff offers to make appear that he was not at Fort S^{t}. David when the bond was dated, but at Madrass.

Dum Addapa is order'd to sign the Acco^{t}. Curr^{t}. and to take his oath to the truth of every Particular which is accordingly done the ballance due from Kisna is Pagod^{s}. 620 : 1 : —.

Kisna's attorney desires that the two Bonds & Dum Addapa['s] signing in the Acco^{t}. might be compar'd by the Town Conicoply, accordingly they were and he reported that the bond of 150 Pagod^{s}. was the same signing as the Acco^{t}. but that the signing in the other bond had not the least likeness to either of them.

JUDGMENT is given in favour of Dum Addapa for 620 : 1 : — with Cost of Suit.

Kisna declaring he would appeal to the Honble. Govr. & Council the Bench leave it to them to do as they please in relation to the forg'd bond.

L. S.

GEORGE TULLIE
Reg^{r}.

MAYOR'S COURT.

We the Subscribers do declare upon our oaths that we were present when Dome Addepah borrow'd eight hund^{d}. ninety eight Pagod^{as}. of Poinde Chitty Kistnah in M^{r}. Frederick['s] time and that he the said Dome Addepah had a quantity of rice in Venkatty Kisna's house which was in partnership with Worriapah and Adde Vankiah but hav^{g}. bought their Shares out he mortgag'd the whole for the payment of that sum as also the money and Cargo on board his ship that was bound from hence to Jafnapatam and accordingly sign'd a bond in our presence which was drawn out by his Conicoply Ramalingiah in Jentues. In Wittness whereof we have hereunto set our hands in Fort S^{t}. David this 5°. day of December 1723.

ERAM RAWZE.
WORRIAPAH.
ADDE VANKIAH.
NARSEPAH.
SUMADRUE R. CHITTY.
POINDAPOLLAM V. PUTTY.
PURSHA : M. RANGAP[AH].
TIMIPIAH.
GUNGADARA BUTLU.

28 Ship Narsinga Bollia Syrang arriv'd from Cotapatam.

Sloop Charles and Mary John Upton Master arr^{d}. from Pegu.

31 Sloop Tartar Christian Willibooms Master arr^{d}. from Bengall.

Ship Jaggernaiculoo, Venkatty Putty, arriv'd from Roeta.

FEBRUARY 1 Ship Goodfellow, (belonging to the Honble. Comp^{a}.) arriv'd from Fort S^{t}. David by whom rec^{d}. a General Letter.

2 Rec^{d}. a Gen^{ll}. Lett^{r}. from M^{r}. Holcombe at Metchlepatam.

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Rec^{d}. a General Lett^{r}. from M^{r}. Blunt at Ingeram.

Rec^{d}. a General Letter from the Govr. & Council of Pondicherry.

Ship Jaggernaiculoo Pollue Noquedah arr^{d}. from Ganjam.

Sign'd an order to Capt. Thomas Harry to traverse the bales fro on board the Good fellow to the Walpole.

Brig^{t}. Cassimbuzar Alexander Rose Master sail'd for Bengall.

At a Consultation

Present

NATHAN^{LL}. ELWICK ESQ^{R}. GOVERN^{R}. PRESIDENT. — MONDAY THE 3^{D}.
NATHAN^{LL}. TURNER. RICH^{D}. BENYON. JN^{O}. EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

The Paymaster reports to the Board that a shed adjoining to the Saluting Battery which was formerly tiled and serv'd the Gunner to keep several of his stores in, is lately fallen down. — Report that the Shedd adjoin^{G}. the Saluting Battery is fallen down.

It being necessary to rebuild the same, ORDER'D that the Paymaster Mess^{RS}. Hubbard and Houghton with the Surveyor of the buildings do survey the same & report what will be the charge of rebuilding it and how it will be most usefull. — To be survey'd.

ORDER'D that the Paymaster be advanc'd fifteen hundred Pagodas to defray charges Garrison. — 1500 Pag^{s}. adv^{d}. the Pay^{r}.

Messrs. Powney and Medeiros deliver in their opinion what freight is to be allow'd to the owners of the King George for the Sugar Candy loaden on her in China on the Honble. Company's Acco^{t}. which is enter'd after this Consultation and the Warehousek^{r}. is ORDER'D to pay the same. — Messrs. Powney & Medeiros deliver in their opinion what freight is to be allow'd the Own^{rs}. of the King George for the Sugar Candy.

James Hubbard Land Customer reads that Acco^{t}. for last month Viz^{t}. — Land Custom^{rs}. Acco^{t}. for January read.

Choultry Customs ...	...	...	...	273 : 11 : 67
Ruby Brokerage ...	...	...	...	36 : 14 : 36
				Pag^{s}. 309 : 26 : 23

Ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 290 : 1 : 23.

The Warehousek^{r}. proposes to the Board to purchase pepper in the ensuing season for our next year's homeward bound Shipping and desires orders about it. — the Ware^{kr}. proposes the purchasing of Pepper for the Europe Ships.

AGREED that as occasion offers he do purchase a quantity of five to six hundred Candy but that he do not exceed two and twenty Pagodas ℔ Candy for it. — A^{g}greed to but not to exceed 22 Pag^{s}. ℔ Candy.

Nathaniel Elwick President reads the Acco^{t}. of the Honble. Company's Cash Ballance remaining thirty four thousand, four hundred sixty seven Pagodas, thirty two fanams and thirty five Cash. — Cash Acco^{t}. for Jan^{ry}. read.

General Letters read Viz^{t}. — General Letters read.

One from the Govr. and Council of Pondicherry dated the 8th. Inst^{t}. N.S. advising the receipt of ours and that they had sent it to Tellicherry for M^{r}. Molandine to make a reply. — From Pondicherry.

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From Fort St. David.

One from the Dep^ty. Govr. and Council of Fort S^t. David with its Duplicate dated 27°. Ult°. with Inv°. & bill of Lading for 320 bales of Goods laden on the Good fellow wherein they advise the Derby's sailing from thence the 23^d. Ult°. Copy of the several Papers sent home as likewise their Letter to the Court of Directors are inclos'd in this Le[tter] The said Letter to the Honble. Court of Directors read.

From. Ingeram.

One from John Blunt Esqr. dated 15°. Ult°. at Ingeram advising some Particulars relating to the Duan &c^a. great men that way and the necessity of digging new Wells and building some Godowns.

From Metchlepat^m.

One from M^r. Holcombe dated 15°. January to accompany the Musters lately sent from Madapollam [&] inclosing his December month's Account.

From the Merch^ts. at Madapollam.

A Letter from the Madapollam Merchant [s] was likewise read as enter'd in the country Letter book relating to the above musters and any Investment that we shall think fit to make there.

The Madapollam musters of Cloth being compar'd with the Prices of ours are found to be rather dearer, it is therefore not tho^t proper to make any Investm^t. there.

The Madapollam musters being produc'd the prices were compar'd with ours and it appears that [at y^e.] charges allow'd for they would not come out any thing [cheaper] but rather dearer than what we provide here, upon which our musters were likewise produc'd and compar'd with those from Madapollam and upon the first [view] it was AGREED unanimously that ours are much superior in goodness to the others and that therefore we cannot think it for our Honble. Masters Interest to make any Inv[estm^t.].

5000 Pag^s. to be sent to Ingeram.

A Conveyance now offering to Ingeram and that Cloth having prov'd very satisfactory upon the examination thereof, it is AGREED that we do now send down five thousand Pagodas Madrass to M^r. Blunt and direct him to provide Cloth as soon as possible to send us up.

Accompt^t. to examine the Metchlep^m. Acco^ts.

ORDER'D that the Accomptant do examine the Metchlepatam Acco^ts. and report the same next Consultation they seeming to be larger than usual.

Petition of the Fort S^t. David arrack Farm^r.

Petition of Chinnapa late arrack Farmer at Fort S^t. David which was sent us in the Fort S^t. David Letter, read setting forth his incapacity to pay his debt and his miserable Condition which is enter'd hereafter.

[he] to be releas'd from his Confinement upon [giving] a bond for paym^t. of his debt.

AGREED that he be releas'd giving a bond for his debt that so it may if ever he be in circumstances be recoverd.

N. ELWICK.
NATH^LL. TURNER.
RICH^D. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

TO THE HON^BLE. NATHAN^LL. ELWICK ESQ^R.
&C^A. COUNCIL.

HON^BLE. S^R. &C^A. GENTLEMEN

According to your request we have inquired into the customary freight of Sugar Candy from China to this Port and find it to be twenty ℔ Cent in specie, therefore its our opinion that the Sugar Candy that was freighted on board the King George do pay the same.

FORT S^T. GEORGE
JAN^RY. 30TH. 1723/4.

HON^BLE. S^R. &C^A.
GENTLEMEN
Y^r. most Humble Serv^ts.
JOHN POWNEY.
L: DE MEDEIROS[...]

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To the Worsp^{ll}. William Jennings Esqr.
Deputy Govr. of Fort S^{t}. David.

The humble Petition of Chinnapa late Arrack Farmer

Humbly Sheweth

Whereas your Worship's Petitioner most humbly imparts to your Worship with the most profound submission that it is now six years since he is suffering intolerable misery in a very tedious confinement & all his Family is fatally precipitate with starving and having no body to assist them with a piece of Charity in this present Calamity which he has took the liberty to implore your commiseration.

Another Arrack Farmer named Adeveraje died ignominiously being imprisoned and Y^{r}. Worship's most humble Petitioner is almost in the same Conformity, therefore he desires your Worship will be pleas'd graciously to take your Compassion on him being destitute of all kind of assistance.

Y^{r}. Worship's Petitioner most humbly beseeches your Worship to take his Case into your pious Consideration that releasement may be obtain'd for him and Y^{r}. Petitioner as in duty bound for ever pray.

Dispatch'd a Gen^{ll}. Letter to the Cheif & Factors at Anjengo. 4

Ship Ann Capt. William Plumbe arriv'd from Nagore.

Brigan^{t} Phœnix Monsieur Fournier arriv'd from Pondicherry.

Sloop Benjamin Samuel Brasier Master sail'd for Bengall. 5

Ship Ingeram Merch^{t}. Ballaramodoo Noquedah sail'd to Ingeram by whom sent a General Lett^{r}. to M^{r}. John Blunt with 5000 Pagodas to carry on an Investment there. 7

Rec^{d}. a General Letter from the Dep^{ty}. Govr. & Council of F^{t}. S^{t}. D^{d}.

Sloop Tartar Christian Willibroorts Master sail'd for the M: Coast. 8

Rec^{d}. a Gen^{ll}. Letter from M^{r}. Holcombe at Metchlepatam. 10

At a Consultation

Present

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Govern^{r}. President. Monday the 10TH.
Nathan^{ll}. Turner. Rich^{d}. Benyon. Jno. Emmerson.
Randall Fowke. James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

The Paymaster &c^{a}. Gentlemen appointed deliver in their report of the shed which they were last Consultation order'd to survey together with an estimate of the Charge of rebuilding it. the Gentlemen appointed to survey the sheds deliver in their report.

Agreed that as it will be equally convenient and much cheaper the said Shedd be arch'd and the Paymaster is Order'd to set about it. The Paym^{r}. to build y^{m}. with an arch.

He is likewise orderd to proceed in building the Wall from the blockhouse it being impossible to get Palmeiras to grow so near the Sea. The Wall from the Blockhouse to be bui lt.

Henry Crawford Farmer of the Arrack and Wine License pays into Cash three hundred thirty five Pagod^{s}. for last month's rent of that farm. Arrack Rent for January paid in.

General Letter from Fort S^{t}. David dated the 4°. Ins^{t}. read being cover to Invoice and bill of Lading for seventy bales on board the Ramah Sloop. Gen^{ll}. Lett^{r}. from Fort S^{t}. David read.

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& one from Metchlepm.

Likewise one from Mr. Holcombe at Metchlepatam dated the 1st. of this month inclosing his January month's Accot. and desiring a supply.

400 Pags. to be sent him.

Order'd that four hundred Pagodas be pd. Mr. Benyon on his Accot.

Complaint agst. Servanne Moodalare for siguing to two [Conveyances] of a house.

The cheif Justice produces to the Board three several Papers. Vizt.

a mortgage bond for a house for eighty Pags.

a bill of Sale for the same house

a second bill of sale for the same house

About which he desires the orders of the Board.

Servanne being sent for with others gives

Survanne Modelaire who sign'd these Bonds and the several Persons concern'd being sent for & attending he was ask'd about this affair and gave the following Accot.

the following accot.

Ramanapa lately Dubash to Mr. Collet pretended to have paid eighty Pagodas for me to the Pagoda for which he forc'd me to give him a mortgage bond payable in three months which expiring and I not having any money I sold him my house and gave him the bill of sale; as to the Second Cojee Serkis wanting this ground agreed with me for it and took out the bill of Sale which he brot. me to sign, I told him there was another standing out and that this would signify nothing to which he reply'd that since the first was forc'd from me he would speak to the Governr. and get me releas'd from it and that I might sign this in the mean while which I [did].

the 2d. Servanne dismiss'd.

A Relation of the abovemention'd Ramanapa's appearing acknowledg'd that the mortgage bond and first bill of sale were but for one sum of money thô made to two different Persons so that Servanne only omitted to take up his mortgage bond and Cojee Serkis acknowledges that he told him of the former bill of sale upon which he is dismiss'd, but it no way appearing that [the mortgage bond] was forc'd from him but on the contrary [was deliv'd by him]

and the first bill ordd. to take place.

Agreed that the first bill of sale do stand good.

N. Elwick.
Nathll. Turner.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

To the Honble. Nathanll. Elwick Esqr.
Presidr. & Governr. of Fort Sr. George &ca. Council.

Honble. Sr. &ca.

In pursuance to your ordr. of the 3d. Inst. we have view'd the Tiled Sheds joining the Saluting Battery wch. we measur'd and find in length eighty one foot and breadth Fourteen Foot of which twenty four foot is fallen down & the rest cannot stand another Monsoon, We are of opinion that as it joins the Battery at one end and Town Wall on one side twill be convenient to take in the whole length and form a slight rampart by flatting it under which may be three very usefull Godowns for Garrison Stores, particularly Gunners which have been a long time wanted, It may be done with Arches fill'd up without side or timbering it but that we humbly submit to your Honr. &cns. better judgment We present you with an estimate of the Charge both ways set down by the Surveyor of the buildings.

If your Honr. &cn. approve of what afore offer'd we believe when the work is finish'd, twill be found necessary to demolish and clear away those tiled sheds

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joining the same Wall towards the S^{t}. Thoma Point which at present contains the Shot and ready to tumble for they are only an incumbrance, the Passage there being so nasty & narrow y^{t}. it is now very inconvenient to go that way and must be more in time of Action. We are

Yo^{r}. Hon^{r}. &c^{as}.
Obedient hum^{ble}. Serv^{ts}.

RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

The old Godowns behind the Town Hall is 81 Foot long and 16 Foot broad, the charge of new building them as follows—

Timbers 46 @ 5½ is	Pag^{s}. 253 : — —
Java Boards 250 @ 28 ₱ hund^{d}.	70 : — —
Iron work	28 : — —
Carpenters Work	40 : — —
Whole Bricks 64000	38 : — —
Terras bricks 30000	12 : — —
Chinam 450 Parrow	32 : — —
Sand and Clay	20 : — —
Jagore hemp & Caracai	20 : — —
Bricklayers & Cooleys	70 : — —
	Pag^{s}. 583 : — —

To build them with an Arch—

Whole Bricks 120,000	71 : — —
Sand	30 : — —
Chinam 1300 Parrow	93 : — —
Jagore & Carracai	20 : — —
Windows & Doors—6	50 : — —
Bricklayers & Cooleys	130 : — —
	Pag^{s}. 394 : — —

We may allow 50 or 60 Pag^{s}. more than the Calculation.
Sloop Ramah John Smith Master arriv'd from Fort S^{t}. David. 14
The Ann Ketch (belonging to M^{r}. Newcome), sail'd to Vizagap^{m}.
Rec^{d}. a General Letter from the Depu^{ty}. Govr. & Council of F^{t}. S^{t}. D^{d}. 15

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

NATHAN^{LL}. ELWICK ESQ^{R}. GOVERN^{R}. PRESID^{Y}.
NATHANIEL TURNER. RICHD^{D}. BENYON. JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

MONDAY THE 17TH.

The Accomptant reads the Journal Parcells for the month of December.

Jo. Parcells for Decr. read.

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the Metchlepm. accots. being exd. are found not to exceed the last years, except in the sundry accidental Charges.

He likewise reports that upon examining the Metchlepatam Accots. he does not find they exceed the last years charge above 2 Pagodas excepting the repairs, journey to Madapollam &cs. accidental expences.

Accot. sales of the Walpoles Cargo delivd. in.

The Warehousekr. delivers into the Board the Accot. Sales of the Walpoles Cargo at Outcry.

as also an accot. of ys. deficiency in the Weights of it and the King George's sugar.

He likewise delivers in a report of the deficiency in the weights of the said Cargo and the Sugar Candy laden on the King George which are both order'd to be enter'd after this Consultation.

the Captns. havr. objected to the Weights and it not appearing that they are answerable

The Bills of Lading for the above Goods being produc'd and the Captns. ask'd about the deficiency, it appear'd that they had both objected to the weights, Capt. Boddam on Accot. he had seen nothing weigh'd off, thô he offer'd to send his Purser and Capt. Wybergh because most of the Tubs were broken.

to be wrote off to Pro. & Loss.

It appearing from hence that the Captns. are not answerable for any deficiency, ORDER'D that it be wrote off to Profit & Loss.

Several Parcells belonging to Messrs. Savage and Prat being found to be inserted in the bil of Lading the Warekr. desires the orders of the Bd. about them.

The Warehousekr. then inform'd the Board that he had during the bringing ashore of the Cargo govern'd himself wholly by the Invoice and not thoroughly examin'd the bill of Lading but that now it is to be deliver'd up, He upon looking over it and comparing it with the Goods brot. ashore he finds the following Particulars therein which prove to belong to Messrs. Savage & Prat, Viz.

No. 1—20	C	Tea Congho	twenty Chests.
1—10	H	Tea Hyson	ten Tubs.
1—13	B	Tea Bing	thirteen Chests.
1— 3	F	Fans	three Chests.

and that as he conceives those Gentlemen have no right to any Tonnage on said Ship from this Place he desires the orders of the Board about the said Goods.

Capt. Boddam acquaintg. the Bd. those Goods cannot be easily come at the Warekr. is directed to consign them to the Court of Directors.

Capt. Boddam was then ask'd if he could come at those goods to which he answer'd they lay under a great many other goods and could not be come at without great loss of time; Wherefore the Warehousekr. is ORDER'D to incert them in the bill of Lading for Europe and consign them to our Honble. Masters.

Petition of Mr. Colebrooke for leave to lade sundry Goods belongs. to Messrs. Savage & Prat on board the Walpole which is rejected.

Mr. William Colebrooke deliver's in a Petition for leave to lade sundry goods belonging to the said Messrs. Savage and Prat on board the Walpole which is enterd after this Consultation and rejected, it not appearing to us that the Honble. Company do allow them any Priviledge on board her.

Sea Customrs. accot. for January read.

John Emmerson Sea Customer reads that Accot. for last month Viz.

Custom on Goods exported & imported	3131 : 35 : 24
Custom on grain	957 : 11 : —
Anchorage	28 : — —
	Pags. 4117 : 10 : 24

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Ballance due from him four thousand & eighty five Pag^{s}. twenty three fanams and twenty four Cash.

ORDER'D that the Paymaster do go aboard & muster the Walpole's Men. Paym^{r}. to Muster the Walpole's Men.

Randall Fowke Paymaster reads his Acco^{t}. for the month of January Viz^{t}. Paymaster's acco^{t}. for January read.

Charges Garrison	1975 : 11 : 40
Bombay Presidency	40 — —
Charges General	639 : 23 : 35
Charges extraordinary	27 : 4 : —
Fort S^{t}. David	6 : 1 : —
House Moveables	6 : — —
Screws for the Warehouse	11 : 27 : —
Triplicane Bridge	7 : 10 : 50
Garden House Barracks	6 : 36 : —
Marlbrô Fort	1 — —
Charges Cattle	121 : 32 : 20
Repairs of Fortifications	57 : 13 : 60
Charges diet	583 : 12 : —
Pag^{s}.	3483 : 26 : 45

Ballance due from him sixteen Pagodas, nine fanams and thirty five Cash.

The extraordinary expence of this month being exam^{d}. into was found to arise from the following Particulars Viz^{t}. Extra Exp^{s} exam^{d}.

CHARGES GENERAL			
Paid the Rentall Gen^{ll}, & Scavinger for the inner Fort		Pag^{s}. 24 : — —	
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY			
Allowance money to the Dec^{d}. Widow Cowse's Children	15 : — —		
D^{o}. to M^{rs}. Burton & her Children ...	25 : — —		
		40 — —	
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY			
Diet to Prisoners & 4 West Coast Coffrees	18 : — —		
Gave a Soldier at the Christning his Child	1 — —		
Given Robert Geary & Salvadore Pereira who came from the West Coast on the Goodfellow for cloathing	7 — —		
Cooley hire for carrying a Present to the Nabob	— 22 —		
Mustering Ships Mary and Essex ...	— 18 —		
		27 : 4 —	
FORT S^{t}. DAVID			
Diet for 18 Soldiers sent thither on the Goodfellow	.....	6 1 —	
HOUSE MOVEABLES			
One large Table for the Warehouse ...	.....	6 — —	
MATERIALS FOR PACKING			
Workmen & Materials employ'd & us'd on the Screws for the Warehouse ...	.....	11 : 27 : —	
TRIPLICANE BRIDGE			
Workmen employ'd & Materials us'd thereon	.....	7 : 10 : 50	
GARDEN HOUSE BARRACKS			
Workmen employ'd & Materials us'd thereon	.....	6 : 36 : —	
MARLBRÔ FORT			
Paid Zacheas Bradley Corporal there, his Wife	.....	1 : — —	
		Pagod^{s}. 130 : 5 : 50	

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Money pd. in by Mr. Drake for Bills of Exchange.

Mr. George Drake pays into Cash one hundred fifty six Pagodas, eighteen fanams and seventy five Cash for first second & third bills of Exchange of this day's date payable to Mr. Hugh Norris or order value of the said George Drake at eight shillings ₱ Pagoda and thirty days sight which are sign'd to him.

Rentall Genll. & Scavingr. pays in Pags. 442. 17.

Joseph Houghton Rentall General & Scavinger pays into Cash the following Sums Vizt.

Accot. Quit rent	...	...	...	400 : 3 : --
Accot. Scavinger's duty	...	...	...	42 : 14 : —
				Pags. 442 : 17 : —

Tobacco & beetle rent for January pd. in.

Poncala Kisna Tobacco and Beetle Farmer pays into Cash five hundred eighty three Pagodas twelve fanams for last month's rent of that Farm.

rent of the Paddy Fields for one year pd.

Rawsum Paupa Braminy pays into Cash seven hundred and ten Pagodas for last year's rent of the Paddy Fields due the 7°. Instant.

6 mos. rent from the Town brokers recd.

Nundalal & Gopaul Dawze Town Brokers pay into Cash four hundred Pagodas for the last six months rent of that Farm due the 31st. December.

5000 Pags. accepted of the Attorney of the Jesuits in China on the terms agreed to, for what they formerly paid in.

The Attorney for the Jesuits in China offers. to pay in a Sum of money upon the same Conditions with the former to the amount of five thousand Pagods. it is AGREED to be accepted, the terms appearing to us to be very advantagious to our Honble. Masters.

General Lettr. from Fort St. David read.

General Letter from Fort S. David dated the 12°. Inst. read inclosing Invoice and bill of Lading for three hundred and ninety bales on board the Mary which ship was dispatch'd the 11th. Instant.

N. ELWICK.
NATHL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

ACCOT. SALES OF SUNDRYS AT OUTCRY, BEING PART OF THE WALPOLE'S CARGO FROM CHINA THE 30TH. JANUARY 1723/4.

		ALLOM Vizt. Ca. md. lb.			Pags. fa. ca.
Mr. Benyon		30 — —	@ Pags.	7⅞ ₱ Can 236 : 9 : —	
Tondua Chitty		29 : 11 : 18	@	8 236 : 24 : 60	
Subramandru remas. ...		14 : 9 : 7	@	8 1/16 116 : 22 : 13	
	Candy	74 : 1 : —			589 : 19 : 73
		SUGAR Vizt.			
Tondua Chitty		30 — —	@	9 ₱ Ca. 270 — —	
Do.		30 — —	@	9 1/4 277 : 18 : —	
Mr. Hubbard		30 — —	@	9 1/8 273 : 27 : —	
Do.		30 — —	@	9 1/8 273 : 27 : —	
Trilliapa		30 — —		9 1/16 271 : 31 : 40	
Mr. Turner		30 — —	@	9 1/16 271 : 31 : 40	
Nina Chitty		30 — —	@	9 1/16 271 : 31 : 40	
Mr. Croke		30 : —: 14	@	9 1/4 277 : 27 : 25	

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					Pags. fa. ca.
Mr. Hubbard	30 — —	@ Pags. 9 3/16 ℔ Ca.	275 : 22 : 40		
Do.	30 : 1 : 14	@ 9 3/16	276 : 12 : 25		
Chindalu Ramana ...	30 — 18	@ 9 1/8	274 : 2 : 65		
Tondua Chitty	30 : 1 : 13	@ 9 1/4	278 : 7 : 25		
Mr. Fowke ye. remas. ...	17 : 4 : 19	@ 9 1/4	159 : 16 : 20		
Candy	377 : 9 : 3				3452 : 3 : —
Sugar Candy Vizt.					
Mr. Fowke	30. 2. 16	@ 12 1/2 ℔ Ca.	376 : 23 : 32		
Mr. Croke	30 — 20	@ 12 3/16	369 : 31 : 18		
Mr. Sitwell	30 — —	@ 12 2/8	371 : 9 : —		
Mr. Turner	30 — —	@ 12 2/8	371 : 9 : —		
Capt. Powney	30. 1. 23	@ 12 1/2	376 : 7 : 16		
Nina Chitty	30. 6. 15	@ 12 1/16	381 : — : 59		
Chungary Pawdry ...	30. 5. 13	@ 12 1/8	382 : 8 : 35		
Mr. Sitwell	30 — —	@ 12 1/16	376 : 31 : 40		
Do.	30 — —	@ 12 1/16	376 : 31 : 40		
Chindalu Ramana ...	30. 2. 24	@ 12 1/8 ℔	380 : 22 : 20		
Mr. Sitwell	30 — —	@ 12 2/16	376 : 31 : 40		
Do.	30 — —	@ 12 2/16	376 : 31 : 40		
Mr. Turner ye. remas. ...	8. 17. 14	@ 12 5/8	112 : 3 : 5		
Comrapa	1. 18. 4	@ 11 7/8	22 : 23 : 55		
Candy	371. 16. 4				4651 : 12 : —
China Root Vizt.					
Lewis Medeiros	30 — —	@ 8 1/2 ℔ Ca.	247 : 18 : —		
Do.	30 — —	@ 8 5/8	262 : 18 : —		
Do.	30 — —	@ 8 5/8	262 : 18 : —		
Do.	30. 6. 10	@ 9 3/4	295 : 22 : 25		
Candy	120. 6. 10				1068 : 4 : 25
					Pags. 9761 : 3 : 18

Acco[t]. of the weight of the several Particulars rec[d]. from on board the Walpole and King George from China ; Viz[t].

℔Ship King George.

	Pecul Catty lb.		Ca. md. lb.	Can. m[d]. lb.	Can. m[d]. lb.
Sugar Candy ...	801. 28.	@ 130 ℔ P	208. 6. 17	rec[d]. 196. 17. 6	
				loss 11. 9. 11	
					208. 6. 17

℔Ship Walpole.

Sugar Candy ..	698. 56.	@ 130 ℔ P	181. 12. 13	rec[d]. 174. 18. 23	
				loss 6. 13. 15	
					181. 12. 13
Allom	300	@ 130 ℔ P	78 — —	rec[d]. 74. 1. —	
				loss 3. 19. —	
					78. — —
Sugar	1500	@ 130 ℔ P	390 — —	rec[d]. 377. 9. 3	
				loss 12. 10. 22	
					390. — —
China Root	500	@ 130 ℔ P	130 — —	rec[d]. 120. 6. 10	
				loss 9. 13. 15	
					130. — —
Tutenaigue ...	2002	@ 130 ℔ P	520. 12. 19	rec[d]. 518. 19. 20	
				loss 1. 12. 24	
					520. 12. 19
			Pecul Catty		
Vermilion ...	150. 60	@ 130 ℔ P	150. 78	rec[d]. 150. 13 1/2	
				loss 64 1/2 Pecul Catty	
					150. 78
Quicksilver ...	142. 50	@ 130 ℔ P	142. 65 —	rec[d]. 142. 6 1/2	
				loss 58 1/2	
					142. 65. —

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To the Honble. Nathaniel Elwick Esqr.
President & Govern^r. of Fort S^t. George &c^a. Council.

Honble. S^r. & S^rs.

Messrs. Savage and Prat the Supra Cargoes of the Walpole having provided some lacquerd & China Goods at Canton design'd for Europe were prevented loading it on that ship by her being full so that they were oblig'd to bring them to this Place on ship King George & going home before they could be got out of s^d. ship King George, I as their Attorney am oblig'd to trouble your Hon^r. &c^a. to desire your orders to the Comm^r. of the Walpole to receive them on board which I hope you will comply with, since it is plain they were bo^t. for Europe & were put on board the other Ship only because the Walpole could not take them in. The Particulars are

L.S. 14 Parcells of lacquer'd Ware.
2 Chests of China Ware.
2 boxes of China Ware.
E.P. 10 Parcells of lacquer'd Ware.

Fort S^t. George
Febry. 17°. 1723/4

I am
Honble. S^r. & S^rs.
Y^r. most Obed^t. Hum^ble. Servt.
William Colebrook.

18. Sloop Diana (belonging to the Honble. Govr.) sail'd for Fort S^t. David.
19. Sloop Ramah John Smith Master sail'd for Fort S^t. David.
— Ship Petit Gay belonging to the French art^d. from Pondicherry.
— Brigan^t Phoenix Monsieur Fournier sail'd to Bengall.

At a Consultation

Present

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Govern^r. Presid^t.
Nath^ll. Turner. Rich^d. Benyon. John Emmerson.
Randall Fowke. James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Thursday the 20th.

Gen^ll. Lett^r. ℔ Walpole sign'd—also one for S^t. Helena & y^e. Capt^s. Dispatch.

General Letter to the Court of Directors ℔ Ship Walpole read and sign'd, as likewise

General Letter & Copy thereof to S^t. Helena
Capt. Charles Boddam's dispatch & Dup. thereof.

N. Elwick.
Nath^ll. Turner.
Rich^d. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

21. Sail'd the Walpole (belonging to the Honble. Company) Capt. Charles Boddam Comm^r. for Great Brittain by her was forwarded a Pacquet to the Court of Directors.

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Arriv'd the Mary Capt. James Formon from Fort S^{t}. David. 21

Arriv'd the Gurupersaidoo Suera labeek from Ballasore. —

The George Brig^{t}. John Widdrington arr^{d}. from Vizagap^{m}. 22

Ship Anneman, Polue Syrang sail'd for Madapollam. —

Rec^{d}. a General Letter from the Dep^{ty}. Govr. & Council of Fort S^{t}. David. —

Rec^{d}. a Gen^{ll}. Lett^{r}. from the Cheif & Factors at Tellicherry. 23

Sloop Charles and Mary Jno. Upton sail'd for Tranquebar. —

Arriv'd the following Vessells, Viz^{t}. —

Sloop Francis Merah Tandell from Fort S^{t}. David.

Sloop Hope M^{r}. Bonesack from Tranquebar.

Ship Jane Thomas Adams from Vizagapatam by her rec^{d}. a Gen^{ll}. Lett^{r}. from the Cheif & Council there.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

NATHANIEL ELWICK Esq^{R}. GOVERN^{R}. PRESIDENT. TUESDAY
NATHAN^{LL}. TURNER. RICH^{D}. BENYON. JN^{O}. EMMERSON. THE 25TH.
RANDALL FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

General Letters read Viz^{t}. General Letters

From the Dep^{ty}. Govr. & Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated the 17°. Ins^{t}. inclosing a list of bales taken in worse than muster and mark't ⊕ in order to compleat the lading of the Ships sent home this year for which they advise that the old Merchants & Sadasheverow's people have agreed to make such an abatement as shall be thought reasonable. from Fort S^{t}. David

From Robert Adams Esqr. &c^{a}. Factors at Tellicherry dated the 30th. Ult^{o}. being cheifly to accompany duplicate of their last relating to the dispute with the French. from Tellicherry

From the Cheif & Council of Vizagapatam dated the 6°. of this month to inclose Invoice and bill of Lading for three hundred and fifty bales of Callicoes on board the Jane, requesting a supply of Cash and advising what difference they had made in the price of washing and Packing. & from Vizagapatam.

SIGN'D an order to the Capt. of the Jane for the delivery of the bales he has brought up on Acco^{t}. the Honble. Company. Bales by the Jane an order sign'd for their delivery.

James Hubbard Land Customer pays into Cash, two hundred and ninety Pagod^{s}. one fanam, and twenty three Cash for ballance of his last month's Account. Land Customer's Jan^{ry}. ballance paid in.

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Mintmaster reads that Acco^{t}. for last month Ballance due from him five hundred, seventy one Pagodas, twenty seven fanams and sixty Cash which is now paid in and thirteen hundred eighty six rupees fourteen annaes which are deliver'd the Warehousekeeper. Mint Acco^{t}. read and the ballance paid.

Richard Benyon Imp^{t}. Warek^{r}. reads that Acco^{t}. for last month Ballance due from him five hundred twenty six Pagodas, twelve fanams and twenty nine Cash of which he now pays in five hundred Pagodas. [Imp^{t}.] Warek^{rs}. Acco^{t}. for [Jan^{ry}. read].

Richard Benyon Export Warek^{r}. reads that Acco^{t}. for last month Ballance due to him eight hundred and two Pagodas, fourteen fanams, and seventy Cash of which he is now paid five hundred Pagodas. Exp^{t}. Ware^{rs}. Acco^{t}. for January read.

George Drake Storek^{r}. reads that Acco^{t}. for last m^{o}. Ballance due from him, seven hundred twenty three Pagod^{s}. seventeen fanams and seventy five Cash. Storekeep^{rs}. Acco^{t}. for January read.

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obligation for 2000 Pags. sign'd to the Jesuit Missionarys.

An obligation for two thousand Pagodas rec^d. from the Jesuits on the terms and agreements on which the former Sum was rec^d. produc'd and sign'd a copy whereof is enter'd after this Consultation.

30 Chests of Silver to be sent to the Bay on the Goodfellow.

The Europe Ships being now all gone with their full ladings and the Goodfellow upon her dispatch for the Bay it was taken into consideration whether we should send down the thirty Chests of Silver demanded by the Gentlemen in Bengall or any part of them and upon a Calculate of what we should in all probability expend here and at our subordinate Factorys and of the Stock we had to supply us till the arrival of the next Europe Ships, we found we could spare the whole quantity, thô with some difficulty to our selves however as the Gentlemen below are so very pressing we chose rather and it is agreed to supply them as we cannot but suppose their necessitys are nearer and more urgent than the hardship that may attend us.

Warek^r. to lade them aboard.

AGREED therefore and ORDER'D that the Warehousekeeper do immediately load all the Duccatoons and as many Chests of Estimates as will make up the thirty upon the Goodfellow being

Duccatoons	17
Estimates	13
In all 30 Chests.	

The President informs the Board of Maubrize Cawn's desiring to be supply'd with a quantity of Powder.

The President informs the Board that he has lately rec^d. a letter from Cojee Gee by order of Maubrize Cawn desiring a supply of five hundred pucca maunds of Powder which he would not consent to spare without the informing them of it.

[Resolv'd to spare] it.

RESOLV'D that it is not likely the Honble. Company's affairs should be any ways injur'd hereby, and that should we refuse, he will still be able to provide himself from others with what he wants wherefore it is

AGREED to spare him the quantity he desires.

N. ELWICK.
NATH^LL. TURNER.
RICH^D. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

We Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Presid^t. & Govr. of Fort S^t. George &c^a. Council for affairs of the Honble. Unit^d. C^o. of Merch^ts. of Engl^d. trad^g. to the East Indies do hereby acknowledge that we have rec^d. of Father Claude Moreset att^y. for the Jesuit Missionarys in China the Sum of two thous^d. Pagodas Curr^t. of Mad^s. on Acco^t. of the Honble. Comp^a. to the which Sum of two thousand Pagodas the s^d. Father Moreset as well for himself as for the s^d. Jesuit Missionarys for whom he is employ'd doth entirely quit all right claim or pretension whatsoever so long as the s^d. H^ble. United East India Comp^a. shall continue to pay to the s^d. Jesuits Missionarys or their assigns the annual Interest of six ℔ Cent In WITTNESS whereof We have hereunto set our hands and caus'd the Seal of the Honble. Comp^a. this 25°. day of February in y^e. year of our Lord 1723.

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The Jenny Galley (belonging to M^r^. Symonds) arr^d^. from Bengall. 26

Sloop Diana belonging to the Honble. Govr. arriv'd from Fort S^t^. D^d^. 28

Ship Goodfellow (belonging to the Honble. Company) Capt. Thomas Harry Command^r^. sail'd for Bengall, by her was sent a General Letter dated the 26th. Ins^t^. MARCH

Sloop Edward John Upton Master sail'd to Fort S^t^. David. 1

Brig^t^. Narsinga Venkana Noquedah arriv'd from Bengall. 2

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

NATHANIEL ELWICK ESQ^R^. GOVERN^R^. PRESIDENT. TUESDAY
NATHAN^LL^. TURNER. RICH^D^. BENYON. JN^O^. EMMERSON. THE 3^D^.
RANDALL FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

Demands made by [Sundry] Persons on Mar Kisna.

The Secretary reports to the Board that in pursuance to the order of Consultation of the 28th. Decr. last^t^, the following Persons have made demands upon Mar Kistna Viz^t^.

Sunca Ramah.
Messrs. Tullie & Fowler Attorneys of M^r^. Thos. Wright.
M^r^. Charles Fleetwood.
M^r^. George Tullie for Young Narran.
M^r^. George Tullie for himself.
M^r^. Thomas Wendey Executor to the Estate of F. Hastings Esqr.
Sumadrue.
Tomby Chitty.
Permal Goldsmith.
Batsu Coanaty.
Moota Chitty.
Monsr. Dumas of Council at Pondicherry.
Peretomby Conapa Chitty.
Tomby Chitty a second Demand.
Mootapa & Vellapa on Mar Kisna & Moota Irsapa.

M^r^. Turner acquaints the board that he has orders for the recovery of M^r^. Wrights money from Mar Kisna.

M^r^. Turner then acquainted the Board that he had orders from M^r^. Thomas Wright from England for recovering his debt on Mar Kisna and that when they should think fit to proceed in the examination of that affair he would produce his Acco^t^.

Young Narran to make his demand on M. Kisna himself.

Young Narran having for sometime been out of confinement, the Board direct that he make his demand himself and that the Secretary do acquaint him therewith.

2500 Pag^s^. adv^d^. y^e^. Pay^r^.

ORDER'D that the Paymaster be advanc'd Pagodas two thousand five hundred to defray Charges of Garrison.

Cash Acco^t^. for Febry. read.

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. reads the Acco . of the Honble. Company's Cash for last month Ballance remain^s^. thirty six thousand three hundred thirty six Pagodas two fanams and ten Cash.

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Land Customrs. Accot. for Feb : read.

James Hubbard Land Customer reads his Accot. for last month ; Viz^{t}.

Choultry Customs	...	...	...	...	329 : 34 : 63
Ruby Brokerage ...	...	...	...	...	34 : 4 : 40
Registring Slaves ...	...	...	...	...	— : 16 : —
					P. 364 : 19 : 23

Ballance due from him three hundred forty four Pagods. twenty fanams and twenty three Cash.

2 mos. Measuring duty pd. in.

Nundalal & Gopaul Dauze Farmers of the Measuring duty pay into Cash one hundred thirty six Pagods. twenty four fanams for two months rent of that Farm due the 20th. Ult°.

Supplys of Cash to be sent to Vizagapatam & Ingeram.

The Jenny Galley being bound for Vizagapm. & Ingeram.

Agreed to send a Chest of Rupees to the former of those Places for their present expence, their Cash being intirely out and five thousand Pagodas to the latter for prosecuting the Investment.

the Vizagapm. Cloth as soon as ready to be inspected.

Agreed that when the Cloth from Vizagapm. lately imported by ship Jane is all ashore and in readiness we meet at the sorting Godown to inspect it.

the Land Customr. reports his havr. seiz'd a Peell of Paintings sometime since.

The Land Customer reports that a little before the last year's Manilha Ships went he made a seizure of a parcell of Paintings that had been run into the Bounds and that he had kept them ever since expecting the Owner, who ran away, would return and claim them, but finding he does not, he desires the orders of the Board what to do about them.

a note to be affix'd at the Sea Gate concerng. them.

Agreed that a note be fix'd up, declaring if he does not return within thirty days to demand his Cloth and excuse himself for running the Customs it shall be sold and dispos'd off according to the Honble. Company's orders in such Cases.

Venkatty Putty Naigue designing to pay a visit to the Presidt.

The President acquaints the Board that one Vencatty Putty Naigue Grandson to the Person who first gave the English Nation the grant of this Place, is at Trivitore and has sent him word he designs to come to pay him a visit ; That his father came to see Govr. Pitt and had a gold Chain and several other things presented him at that time and that this Person will expect to be treated in the same manner.

he to be presented with a gold Chain &c.

Agreed that a gold Chain be bot. value about forty Pagodas and that such other Presents be given as shall be judg'd necessary.

N. Elwick.
Nathl. Turner.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

3 Ship St. Anthony Nicolao Fieumes arriv'd from Macao.

7 Ship Modena Bux, Sheik Muctoom arriv'd from Bengall.

— The Jenny Galley (belonging to Mr. Symonds) saild for Ingeram and Vizagapatam, by her were sent 2 general Letters dated the 6°. Inst. & to inclose Invoices and Bills of Lading for the Treasure sent to those Settlements.

8 Sloop Ramah John Smith Master arriv'd from Fort St. David.

— Recd. 2 General Letters.
one from the Cheif & Factors at Tellicherry.
& one from the Cheif & Council of Vizagapatam.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

NATHANIEL ELWICK ESQR. GOVERNR. PRESIDT. — MONDAY THE 9TH.
NATHANLL. TURNER. RICHD. BENYON. JNO. EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

The President acquaints the Board that Venkatty Putty Naigue had been with him and that he had presented him with a gold Chain value forty two Pagodas tasharief'd him and his Brother and fir'd fifteen great Guns. — the Presidt. reports his have presented Venkatty P. N. with the gold Chain & tasharief'd him and his brother.

The Secretary informs the Board that he had acquainted Young Narran with their orders and he had accordingly deliver'd in his demand upon Mar Kisna which with all the others are ready when they shall think fit to proceed. — Young Narran makes a demd. on M. Kisna himself.

The Accomptant reads the Journal Parcells for the month of January. — Jo. Parcells for Janry. read.

General Letter from Vizagapatam read dated the 17°. February 1723/4 accompanying Duplicate of their Letter &ca. Papers on the Jane and inclosing Lists of stores &ca. wanting and their Accot. Cash. — Genll. Letters read from Vizagapatam.

General Letter from Tellicherry dated the 14°. February relating to the dispute with the French and inclosing Copys of several Papers as enter'd in the Letter Book N°. 21, 22, 23 & 24. — & from Tellicherry.

AGREED to write an expostulating Letter to Pondicherry about this affair and complain of the usage given our Ship by their Officers. — lettr. to be wrote the French.

Henry Crawford Farmer of the Arrack & Wine license pays into Cash, three hundred thirty five Pagodas for last month's rent of that farm. — Armck rent for Feb : pd. into Cash.

Petition of Appeal from a judgment in the Mayor's Court in a cause between Sied Allee & Christian Knoes given in favour of the latter, deliver'd in which is read and the consideration of it deferr'd. — Petition of Appeal from Sied Allee read.

Adjourn'd to the Sorting Godown to view the Vizagapatam Cloth which upon examination was found to be very good and it was thereupon — The Vizagm. Cloth view'd at the Sorting Godown.

AGREED that twenty thousand Pagodas be sent down by the Jane for carrying on the Investment and another Chest of rupees for the expence of the Garrison. — a supply of Cash to be sent thither by the Jane.

N. ELWICK.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

TO THE HONBLE. NATHANLL. ELWICK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT STT. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF SIED MAHOM[UD]

SHEWETH

That in a cause between your Petition[rs.] deceased Father and one Christian Knoes which was heard in part by Mr. Oadham and was finish'd by the Worship-f[ul] George Sitwell Esqr. &ca. Aldermen on Friday last judgment was given against your Petitioner, which judgment was founded upon the said Christian Knoes's swearing to his Accot. Now Yr. Petitioner has also an Accot. which differs

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from [that] of the said Christian Knoes's to which your Petitioners Conicoply is ready to make oath, he having transacted all affairs for your Petitioners dec^{d}. Father in his life time and is perfectly acquainted with all matters that pass'd between him and Christian Knoes.

There are likewise several Articles in the Acco^{ts}. sworn to by the s^{d}. Christian Knoes which are false as Y^{r}. Petit^{r}. can prove and is ready to do whenever your Hon^{r} : &c^{a}. shall please to call upon him for it; for all which reasons your Petitioner humbly prays your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. will please to call this Petitioner and his Adversary before you and permit this Cause to be reheard and as in duty bound

Shall every pray &c^{t}.

9 Dispatch'd a General Letter to the Govr. & Council of Pondicherry.

Brig^{n}. Modena Bux, Johur noquedah arriv'd from Bengall.

11 The S^{t}. Joseph Monsieur Morlaix sail'd for Pondicherry.

13 Rec^{d}. a General Letter from M^{r}. Holcombe at Metchlepat^{m}.
a General Lett^{r}. from the Presid^{t}. & Council of Fort William.

— Arriv'd Ship Triplicane Capt. John Carvalho from Manilha.
Ganjawarma Ajelee Noquedah from Bengall.
Cadrasavoy, Ajee Cawn from Ballasore.

14 Sail'd Ship Petit Gay Monsieur Royer for Bengall.
Jane Thomas Adams Master for Vizagapatam.
Sloop Ramah John Smith Master for Fort S^{t}. David.

— Ship Modenabux, Sheik Lebrum noquedah arr^{d}. from Ganjam.

16 Arriv'd Ship Brampore Anthony Barneval from Manilha.
Devonshire Capt. William Montgomery from Siam.
Vincatash Cashinaut noquedah from Arakan.
Sloops Ballasore & Prosperous under the direction of Capt. John Jones, by the former rec^{d}. a Lett^{r}. from the Presid^{t}. & Council of Fort William.

At a Consultation

Present

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Govern^{r}. President.
Nathan^{ll}. Turner. Rich^{d}. Benyon. John Emmerson.
Randall Fowke. James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Monday the 16th.

Mint Acco^{t}. for Feby. read.

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Mintmaster reads that Acco^{t}. for last month Ballance thirty two Pagodas, two fanams and fifty Cash which is paid into Cash and two hundred thirty eight rupees, seven annaes which are deliver'd the Warehousekeeper.

General Lett^{rs}. from Bengall

General Letter from Bengall dated the 26°. Decr. 1723, desiring we would assist a Moor Man who comes from thence in order to recover some moneys of an Inhabitant of this Place..

from Metchlepat^{m}.

General Letter from M^{r}. Holcombe at Metchlepatam dated the 26°. Ult^{o}. relating to the Cowle for resetling at Madapollam and inclosing his twelve month's Acco^{ts}.

Paym^{r}. to repair the Sheds at the Mint & some necessary rooms, the other Part to remain as it is.

The Mint having been for sometime in a very bad Condition in so much that it is dangerous to be there it was consider'd what must be done about it, our Honble. Masters having in their last Letters forbid the rebuilding it, and upon the whole the Board adjourn'd thither to survey it where they found the Walls all of them full of cracks and the timbers very much decay'd, however as the Company will not consent to the making a new one it was Order'd that the Paymaster repair the Sheds under

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which the People work and such of the rooms as are us'd by them to lock their Silver in and that the rest of the House stand as it is till we can be permitted to make it fit to live in.

Poncala Kisna Tobacco & Beetle Farmer pays into Cash P^{s}. 583 : 12 : for last month's rent of that farm. Tobacco and Beetle Rent paid.

Ponapa Modalaire &c^{a}. Inhabit^{ts}. of Egmore &c^{a}. Villages pay into Cash P^{s}. 40. in further part of their debt to the Honble. Company. Inhabitants of Egmore pay in a further part of their debt.

N. Elwick.
Nath^{ll}. Turner.
Rich^{d}. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Brigantine Sarah Capt. John Walsh arriv'd from Junkceylon. 17
Sloop Sarah under the same direction.
Rec^{d}. a General Lett^{r}. from the Presid^{t}. & Council of Bombay. 19
Ship Chindadre Amrawadee Noquedah arriv'd from Atcheen. 21
Rec^{d}. a General Letter from the Deputy Govr. & Council of F^{t}. S^{t}. Dav^{d}. 21
Arriv'd Ship Sta. Rosa, Anthony Carrare, Command^{r} from Macao. 23
Venkatash Cunnadoo Noquedah from Tenassery.
Gopaul, Sheik Beloram Noquedah from Ganjam.

At a Consultation

Present

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Govern^{r}. Presid^{r}. Monday the 23rd.
Nathan^{ll}. Turner. Rich^{d}. Benyon. Jno. Emmerson.
Randall Fowke. James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

General Letters read Viz^{t}. General Letters.

From the President & Council of Fort William dated the 3^{d}. of February advising the dispatch of the Europe Ships, promising early advices what Tonnage they shall be able to provide for this Season, demanding two hundred Tons of Redwood and inclosing Invoice and bill of Lading for Petre on board Sloop Ballasore. They likewise desire we will coin one third of their Treasure to send them in rupees and inclose us a price Curr^{t}. of Metals. from Bengall

From the Presid^{t}. & Council of Bombay dated Febr$\bar{y}$ 3^{d}. wherein they desire us to send M^{rs}. Gyffords's Papers &c^{a}. to Anjengo, and reply to some of our Letters; they likewise advise the receipt of the Madeira Wine ℔ Salamany, the dispatch of the Duke of York and Bengall Galley for Gombroon, the King George and Hannover for Great Brittain and that the Prince Frederick would winter here. from Bombay

From Fort S^{t}. David dated the 19°. Inst. desiring leave to build the inner Wall of Cuddalore equal with the outw^{d}. one. & from Fort S^{t}. David.

Order'd that the Warehousek^{r}. do provide the quantity of redwood demanded from Bengall and unload the Petre from on board Sloop Ballasore. The Warek^{r}. to provide redwood for the Bay & to unload the Petre on bd. the Sloop Bal^{re}.

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The Vermilion and Quicksilver sent to the Bay before the price Curr^t. from thence came to hand.

The price Curr^t. inclos'd us in the Bengall Letter came too late the Goodfellow having all the Honble. Company[s] Vermilion and Quicksilver on board which they write us will not sell.

M^rs. Gyfford's Papers to be sent to Anjengo by the 1st. good Sea Convey^ce.

AGREED that by the first good Sea Conveyance we send M^rs. Gyfford's Papers to Anjengo according to the desire of the Gentlemen at Bombay.

The inner wall at Cuddalore not to be built unless of absolute necessity.

AGREED that we cannot permit the building of Cuddalore Wall unless it appears of absolute necessity which the Fort S^t. David Letter doth not sufficiently make out.

Exp^t. Warek^rs. Acco^t. for Feb : read

Richard Benyon Export Warek^r. reads that Acco^t. for last month Ballance due to him, one thousand five hun^d. eighty two Pagodas, thirty two fanams and thirty six Cash.

& pays in 4000 Pag^s. Acco^t. the Walp : Cargo.

Richard Benyon Export Warek^r. pays into Cash, four thousand Pagodas on Acco^t. of Ship Walpole's Cargo.

Imp^t. Warek^rs. Acco^t. for Feb : read.

Richard Benyon Import Warek^r. reads that Acco^t. for last month Ballance due from him four hundred, thirty six Pagodas, thirty fanams and nine Cash.

Paym^rs. Acco^t. for Feb : read.

Randall Fowke Paymaster reads his Acco^t. for last month Viz^t.

Charges Garrison	1949 : 22 : —	
Charges General	619 : 22 : 20	
Charges extraordinary	23 : 8 : —	
Godowns by the half Moon Bat^y. ...	37 : 13 : 20	
Charges diet	583 : 12 : —	
Charges Cattle	114 : 3 : 75	
Repairs of Fortifications...	75 : 33 : 30	
Bombay Presidency	40 : — : —	
Marlbrô Fort	1 — —	
Bengall Presidency	14 : 1 : —	
	P. 3458 : 7 : 65	

Ballance due to him one thousand nine hundred forty one Pagodas, thirty four fanams and thirty Cash.

Extra : Exp : examin'd.

The extraordinary Expence of this month arises from the following Particulars.

CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY.

Diet to 13 Prisoners	12 : 12 : —	
D^o. to 4 West Coast Coffrees	6 — —	
Paid a Soldier at the Christning of his Child ...	1 — —	
Funeral Charges of a Poor Person	3 : 12 : —	
Boat hire to bring ashore the Prisoners from the Goodfellow	— 20 —	
	P. 23 : 8 —	
GODOWNS by the half Moon Battery Materials us'd & Workmen employ'd		37 : 13 : 20
BENGALL PRESIDENCY. Charges on 9 Soldiers sent thither on Ship Goodfellow ...		14 : 1 : —
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY. allowance money to the dec^d. Widow Cowse's Children and to M^rs. Burton and her's		40 : —: —
MARLBRÔ FORT. Paid Zacheas Bradley Corporal there, his Wife		1 : —: —
Pagod^s		115 : 22 : 20

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The Paymaster likewise reports that there are four Men that have serv'd the Company in the Military a great while, but are now incapable, and desire to be enter'd upon the Pensioner's List Viz^{t}.

Paym^{r}. reports that 4 Men who have been in the Military service a great while desire to be enterd on the List of Pensioners, as being now incapable of farther service.

Joseph Garret serv'd the Company thirty years and is superannuated and has a wife and two Children.

Simon D'Crewser serv'd the Company twenty one years and is superannuated.

Ralph Taylor serv'd the Company fourteen years & was in the camp agst. M^{r}. Raworth where he got the Barbiers wch. has since hinder'd him the use of his Limbs.

John Carey serv'd upwards of ten years, has lost the use of his right arm.

Order'd that they be enter'd upon that List.

agreed to.

George Drake Storek^{r}. reads that Acco^{t}. for last month Ballance due from him seven hundred eighty one Pagodas six fanams and seventy Cash.

Storek^{rs}. Acco^{t}. for Feb : read.

He likewise informs the Board that the Spring which Season us'd to be proper for the Sale of Iron is now advancing and that he desires to know what resolution they will come to about the Company's.

He desires to know the resolution of the B^{d}. in relation to the Co^{s}. Iron.

The Manilha Ships having this year bro^{t}. back all their Iron not being able to sell it at Manilha which us'd to occasion the early demand for Iron here, it is not reasonable to suppose it will sell to any advantage.

The Iron sent to Manilha, being return'd upon the Ships for wch. Place there us'd to be an early demand

Agreed therefore that it lie sometime longer to see if the Surat Ships will want any.

Agreed to let it lie some time longer to wait the arrival of the Surat Shipping.

Edward Parry's Commission for an Ensign at Fort S^{t}. David produc'd and sign'd.

An Ensign's Commission for Edward Parry produc'd and sign'd.

The Paymaster produces the Medal order'd to be made for Preache Cawn Syrang of ship Goodfellow wch. is Agreed to be given him and that he be appointed second Syrang at 3 Pagod^{s}. ℔ m^{o}. with a promise of succeeding upon a vacancy if he behaves himself well.

Medal given the Syrang of the Goodfellow. He appointed 2^{d}. Syrang here with a promise upon his good behaviour to succeed.

Six months salary becoming due the 25°. Ins^{t}. to the Honble. Companys Covenanted Servants, the Accomptant is directed to draw it out and lay before the Board.

Salary Warrant to be drawn out.

Sied Mahomud's Petition of Appeal read the second time ; upon which M^{r}. Hubbard one of the Aldermen desir'd it might be rejected, the said Sied Mahomud hav^{g}. refus'd to plead in Court which was sometime debated, after which M^{r}. Fleetwood Attorney for the Appealant was call'd in and ask'd why he would not plead in Court to which he reply'd that M^{r}. Wilson sometime since dec^{d}. was Attorney for them when the Cause was before the Court the last year and that it had lain dormant for

Sied Mahomud's Petition of Appeal read a second time and is agreed to.

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twelve months expecting Christian Knoes would come from sea and that Sied Mahomud was only summon'd on the very last Court day when he was employ'd and desir'd another day might be allow'd because he was but just retain'd and had not had time to make himself Master of the Affair.

be received. AGREED that the Petition be receiv'd.

a motion made that the attorneys &c^{a}. of the Court might be forthwith paid their fees upon the determination of the Cause there. A motion was then made that upon judgment given in Court, the Attorneys &c^{a}. might immediately be paid their Fees which they are not capacitated to recover at present if the Person cast lodges an Appeal because of an order of Consultation made in the year 1720 wherein it was said that the Appealant having flung himself upon the Board for Justice is entirely out of the power of the Mayor's Court.

the order made in the year 1720 to stand. AGREED that as the Appealant is oblig'd to give full security when he appeals, for both the judgment of Court Costs and damages, it continue as it is, by which if the Person be cast a second time the fees will be secure and if it proves that he has justice on his side he will only avoid paying charges which he ought not to have been put to.

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25 Rec^{d}. a General Letter from the Govern^{r}. & Council of Pondicherry dated April the 1st. N.S.

— Rec^{d}. a General Letter from John Blunt Esqr. at Ingeram.

— Ship Jaggernaiculoo Ramadoo, Vencatty Putty sail'd to Rota.

— Sloop Benjamin Samuel Brasier Master arriv'd from Bengall.

— Sloop Edward (belonging to M^{r}. Berriman) arr^{d}. from Fort S^{t}. David.

27 Sloop Ballasore (belonging to Capt. John Jones) sail'd for Bengall.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATURDAY THE 28TH. NATHANIEL ELWICK ESQ^{R}. GOVERN^{R}. PRESIDENT.
NATHANIEL TURNER. RICH^{D}. BENYON. JN^{O}. EMMERSON.
RANDAL FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE.
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General Lett^{rs}. General Letters read Viz^{t}.

[from] Pondicherry. From the Govern^{r}. & Council of Pondicherry bearing date the 1st. April N.S. partly in answer to our last to them and partly a recapitulation of the Subject of their former Letters.

From Ingeram. From John Blunt Esqr. at Ingeram dated the 6°. of this month advising the arrival of ship Ingeram Merchant with the treasure sent by her and what Progress he had made in investing it.

3000 Pag^{s}. p^{d}. in acc^{t}. the Walpole's Cargo. Richard Benyon Export Warek^{r}. pays into Cash, three thousand Pagodas on Acco^{t}. of Ship Walpole's Cargo.

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Salary to be paid.

The Accomptant produces the Salary Warrant which is read, approv'd and order'd to be paid amounting as ℔ Particulars after this Consultation to one thousand five hundred eighty eight Pagodas, thirty two fanams.

demand on Mar Kisna by Mr. Wendey.

The Board then proceeded upon Mar Kisna's Affair and Mr. Wendey Executor to Francis Hastings Esqr., attending, deliver'd in a demand for five thousand & eight Pagodas, sixteen fanams and seventy seven Cash which being confess'd by Mar Kisna to be the true amount of his debt and the Ball^ce. of Acco^ts. made up between them, the demand was allow'd.

another dem^d. by Messrs. Tullie & Fowler.

A Demand deliver'd in by Messrs. Tullie and Fowler on Acco^t. Mr. Wright for four hundred and fifteen Pagodas, seven fanams and sixty three Cash which Mr. Turner declares he has a power from Mr. Wright to demand of Mar Kisna; was next read and acknowledg'd by Mar Kisna to be [Just], and was therefore likewise allow'd.

as also one by Suncah Ramah.

Suncah Ramah's demand was next produc'd & read being for three hundred twenty eight Pagodas five Fanams and ten Cash to which Mar Kisna objected affirming that he ow'd no more than thirty three Pagodas and forty Cash and produc'd an Acco^t. Curr. to prove the same, upon which the Board proceeded to examine the Acco^t. and after some debate struck out several articles charg'd by Sunca Ramah, it appearing plain to the Board that they were given as Presents to Mar Kisna at several times and that therefore they should not be charg'd to him. Upon stating and comparing the Acco^ts. together after a full examination it was AGREED that Sunca Ramah's demand on Mar Kisna is no more than eighty nine Pagod^s. eighteen fanams.

There being to make the said Ballance due to Suncha Rama credit given him in Mar Kisna's Acco^t. for three hundred Pagodas borrow'd on a mortgage of a house belonging to Checca Serapa which Papers lie in Suncah Ramah's hands; order'd that they be deliver'd the Secretary.

Tomby Chitty delivers in an Acco^t. Curr^t. between him and Mar Kisna

Tomby Chitty then appearing deliver'd in an Acco^t. Curr^t. whereby Mar Kisna becomes indebted to him the sum of seven hundred twenty two Pagodas, twenty six fanams and seventy six Cash as enter'd after this Consultation, all which is allow'd by Mar Kisna except the Article of Pag^s. 1615: 23: 14 allow'd for Goods deliver'd to Tomby Chitty's Correspondent at Nagore which he says ought to come to a great deal more whereupon Tomby Chitty produc'd an Acco^t. of the loss sustain'd by the said Goods which he affirm'd to proceed from the extravagant prices he paid for them and amounts to Pagod^s. 285 : 26 : 62. He likewise produces the valuation by which he rec^d. the Goods sign'd by his own Gomastah a Merchant at Nagore and Mar Kisna's Gomastah who all have depos'd the valuation was just & made by four indifferent Persons at Nagore appointed by the Govern^r. of the Place and that Tomby Chitty lost near 300 Pagodas by them.

It appearing to the Board that those Goods were fairly deliver'd to Tomby Chitty and justly valued by indifferent Persons appointed by the Governour of that Place to adjust all differences that might arise and the whole proceeding being very regular, AGREED that Tomby Chitty's demand of Pagodas 722 : 26 : 76 is just and be allow'd.

& produces a dem^d. on Mr. Hastings which Mar Kistna was to pay.

Tomby Chitty then produc'd a demand on Mr. Hastings for some Longeloth and Sallempores deliver'd him at Fort S^t. David for which the said M. Hastings in his life time told Tomby Chitty he had paid Mar Kisna, but he offering some proofs that he had discharg'd the debt & it being very late the Board deferr'd the further examination thereof till another opportunity and Order'd him a copy of the demand.

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D^{r}.				MAR KISNA.				C^{r}.
To Broad Cloth as ℔ᵗ his 2 bonds	P.2091	22	40	By Cash rec^{d}. in Madrass...	450	—	—	
To Cash lent as ℔ᵗ his 3 bonds	1100	—	—	By D^{o}. in Fort S^{t}. David...	250	—	—	
To Interest	213	—	—	By D^{o}. Rec^{d}. after the disposal of his Fort S^{t}. David Goods	316	8	30	
				By Sundry Goods rec^{d}. at Nagore as ℔ᵗ Acco^{t}. Particular	1615	23	14	
Pag^{s}.	3404	22	40	By a horse	50	—	—	
				Pag^{s}.	2681	31	44	
				By Ballance due ...	722	26	76	
				Pag^{s}.	3404	22	40	

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ᵗ TOMBY CHITTY.

SALARY due to the Honble. Companys Covenanted Servants from the 25°. of September 1723 to the 25°. of March 1724, is six months Viz^{t}.

	£^{s}.	£	s	d	£	s	d	Pag^{s}.	fa.	Ca.
The Honble. Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Presid^{t}. & Govr. ...	@ 200	100	—	—						
D^{o}. Gratuity	@ 100	50	—	—						
					150	—	—	333	12	—
M^{r}. Nathaniel Turner 2^{d}. of Council & Accomp^{t}.	@ 100				50	—	—	111	4	—
Mr Richard Benyon 3^{d}. & Wareh^{r}.	@ 70				35	—	—	77	28	—
M^{r}. John Emmerson 4th. & Sea Cust^{r}.	@ 50				25	—	—	55	20	—
M^{r}. Randall Fowke 5th. & Paym^{r}.	@ 40				20	—	—	44	16	—
M^{r}. James Hubbard 6th. of Council & Land Cust^{r}. ..	@ 40				20	—	—	44	16	—
M^{r}. George Drake 7th. & Storekeep^{r}.	@ 40				20	—	—	44	16	—
M^{r}. Joseph Houghton 8th. & Scaving^{r}.	@ 40				20	—	—	44	16	—
M^{r}. George Tullie Senr. Merchant	@ 40				20	—	—	44	16	—
M^{r}. Richards Higginson Junr. D^{o}.	@ 30				15	—	—	33	12	—
M^{r}. Edward Croke Senr. Merch^{t}.	@ 40				20	—	—	44	16	—
M^{r}. George Torriano Junr. Merch^{t}.	@ 30	15	—	—						
Gratuity as Sec^{ry}.	@ 10	5	—	—						
					20	—	—	44	16	—
M^{r}. Richard Carter—Factor ...	@ 15				7	10	—	16	24	—
M^{r}. John Lauder	@ 15				7	10	—	16	24	—
M^{r}. Sands Davis	@ 15				7	10	—	16	24	—
M^{r}. John Fullagar	@ 15				7	10	—	16	24	—
M^{r}. Charles Fleetwood	@ 15				7	10	—	16	24	—
M^{r}. Paul Foxley	@ 15				7	10	—	16	24	—
M^{r}. Robert Woolley	@ 15				7	10	—	16	24	—
M^{r}. Matthew Empson	@ 15				7	10	—	16	24	—
M^{r}. Abraham Wessell	@ 15				7	10	—	16	24	—
M^{r}. Nicholas Morse	@ 15				7	10	—	16	24	—
M^{r}. Richard English	@ 15				7	10	—	16	24	—
D^{o}. as Essay Master	@ 80				40	—	—	88	32	—
M^{r}. Samuel Hyde	@ 15				7	10	—	16	24	—
M^{r}. John Bulkley	@ 15				7	10	—	16	24	—
M^{r}. Robert Dalzell	@ 15				7	10	—	16	24	—
M^{r}. Charles Peers—Writer ...	@ 5	1	15	—						
D^{o}. as Factor from 31st. January last	@ 15	2	5	—						
					4	—	—	8	32	—

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		£	£ s d	£ s d	Pag^{s}. fa. Ca.
M^{r}. Charles Gee—Writer	@	5		2 10 —	5 20 —
M^{r}. Holland Goddard	@	5		2 10 —	5 20 —
M^{r}. John Stratton	@	5		2 10 —	5 20 —
M^{r}. Joseph Goldfinch	@	5		2 10 —	5 20 —
M^{r}. Charles Barrington	@	5		2 10 —	5 20 —
M^{r}. Samuel Parkes	@	5		2 10 —	5 20 —
The Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Thomas Wendey Minister	@	100		50 — —	111 4 —
The Rev^{d}. M^{r}. William Leeke D^{o}.	@	100		50 — —	111 4 —
Doct^{r}. Duncan Munro Surgeon	@	36		18 — —	40 — —
Doct^{r}. Andrew Pecheir D^{o}.	@	36		18 — —	40 — —
				£^{s}. 715 — —	P. 1588 32 —

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ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ NATHAN^{LL}. TURNER.
Acc^{t}.

Sail'd Brig^{t}. George Capt. John Widdrington for Fort S^{t}. David. 29
Ship Narsingo Ballia Syrang for Cotapatam.

AT A CONSULTATION

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NATHAN^{LL}. TURNER. RICHARD BENYON. JN^{o}. EMMERSON.
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MONDAY THE 30TH.

John Emmerson Sea Customer reads that Acco^{t}. for last month Viz^{t}.

Sea Custom^{rs}. acco^{t}. for February read.

Customs on Goods exported & imported	P.	4321 : 22 : 8
D^{o}. on Grain		1717 : 27 : 76
Anchorage		105 — —
	P.	6144 : 14 : 4

Ballance due from him ten thousand one hundred ninety seven Pagodas eighteen fanams and eighteen Cash of which he now pays in One thousand Pagodas.

The Bengall Piece Goods and Raw Silk imported this year from thence are valued at less rates than the last which the Sea Customer has been oblig'd to do there being such large Parcells remaining in Town of the last years & so much bro^{t}. in this, that they lie upon the Merchants hands invendible at any rate and therefore it was judg'd equitable to make some small abatement in the valuation of these Goods because the owners will unavoidably be great Sufferers by them and being too severe with the Patan Merchants may possibly occasion their return to S^{t}. Thoma, which would be too considerable an abatement on the Customs for us not to use our utmost endeavours to prevent it.

The Sea Customer allow'd to make an abatement in the Valuation of the Bengll. Piece Goods

ORDER'D to advance the Paymaster three thous^{d}. five hundred Pagodas to defray Charges Garrison.

Paym^{r}. adv^{d}. 3500 Pag^{s}.

James Hubbard Land Customer pays into Cash three hundred forty four Pagodas, twenty fanams & twenty three Cash for Ballance of his February month's Account.

Land Custom^{rs}. Febry's ballance p^{d}. in.

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Petition of appeal of Sahid Allee agst. C. Knoes taken into Consideration.

The Petition of Appeal from a judgment in the Mayors Court in favour of Christian Knoes against the Executors of Sahid Allee was taken into consideration, the Petition, Proceedings of Court and Accots. read after which Mr. Fleetwood who attended on that part of Sahid Allee desir'd the Board to observe that Christian Knoes in the Acct. he has sworn to has charg'd Sahid Allee for a bad debt contracted in Atcheen by the said Christian Knoes and that said Allee not having contracted the debt could not be answerable for it.

Christian Knoes in answer to this produc'd a paper sign'd by the Armenian to whom the Goods were sold wherein he says he recd. the Goods of Sahid Allee and that they belong'd to Christian Knoes and that he would be accountable to the said Nocquedah or his order for the Goods from which Circumstance Christian Knoes endeavour'd to prove that Sahid Allee must be security for the same, but it appearing by the report of the said Christian Knoes that he desir'd the Noquedah to sell the Goods for him and that he recd. a Catty of Gold himself in part thereof, It also appearing by the attestation of a Moor Man now attending the Board that when Vartanuse the Armenian prov'd insolvent, the Merchants of Atcheen met together and holding a Court condemn'd the said Armenian to give bond for the payment of the mony in so long time which bond was tender'd to the said Christian Knoes with an offer of securing the Person of the said Armenian if he did not like the Bond but that he chose the latter. It was AGREED that it does no way appear that Sahid Allee was security for the Armenians debt and therefore he ought not to be charg'd in Account for it.

The Acct. deliver'd in on both Sides being very different Copys were order'd each Party who were directed to draw out from them the several differences and make their objections thereto which were to be got ready agst. next Consultation.

Permall's affair wth. Mar Kisna laid before the Board

Permall a Goldsmith and Diamond Broker having made a demand on Mar Kisna for a bond of 63 Pagods. which he affirms the said Mar Kisna forc'd from him, he was call'd in and deliver'd to the Board a Petition (as enter'd after this Consultation) wherein he gives an Acct. of the affair, upon which Mar Kisna was call'd in and the Petition being read he gives the Acct. as mention'd in the Petition as to the occasion of his getting the bond but with this addition that when the Broker apply'd to him to punish Mr. Berriman's Dubash, he said he was a poor Man and that rather than put him into the Cock house, he would give 5 Pags. out of Charity, That he accordingly did so and sevll. others promis'd to do the Same till they rais'd the sum of ninety Pagodas with which the Owner being contented he the said Mar Kisna had desir'd Ameras Tawke to pay the money which he accordingly did and collected some part thereof but that about six months ago upon making up Accts. with Ameras Tawke he had charg'd him 55 Pagods. on that Acct. as not collected, whereupon he sent for Permall and told him that he must pay so much with the Interest for that the People who promis'd had not comply'd, that the said Permall acknowledg'd the debt but not having money gave the abovemention'd Bond.

& decided.

Upon debating this matter it was AGREED that the Diamond Broker was indebted to Kisna for so much as was not collected and that he must recover of Mr. Berriman's Dubash what he should suffer by this affair. But it appearing that Ameras Tawke had made a mistake in charging Kisna fifty five instead of thirty five Pagods. the Bond was allow'd for 43 Pagodas and no more which Sum is order'd to be paid the Secretary.

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To the Honble. Nathan^ll. Elwick Esqr.
Presid^t. & Govern^r. of Fort S^t. George &c^a. Council.
The Petition of Permall a diamond Broker
Sheweth

That your Petitioner deliverd to M^r. Berriman's Dubash three Diamonds valued at 110 Pagodas which he desir'd him to dispose of on his Acco^t. Y^r. Petitioner one day meeting him ask'd him what he had done with the said Diam^ds. he reply'd that he had unfortunately lost them. Y^r. Petitioner being going to make his Complaint to M^r. Hastings Mar Kisna sent for him and the Merchant of whom he rec^d. them and made him value the said Diamonds at no more than 90 Pagod^s. and at the same time constrain'd your Petitioner to contribute 5 Pag^s. towards paying for them, the other 85 he orderd Nanah Taucah to pay and place it to his Account which sum he afterwards collected amongst the sev^ll. Merch^ts. which the Company's Peon Narran will affirm to be truth, a long while after as your Petitioner was walking by the Town hall Mar Kisna took hold of him and threatned that unless he would without delay give him a bond for 62 Pagodas payable to M^r. Wendey that he would immediately clap him into prison. Y^r. Petitioner being too sensible of the power at that time lodg'd in the said Mar Kisna, comply'd with his Demand but now begs your Hon^r. &c^a. will examine this affair and do him justice.

Y^r. Petitioner shall ever pray.

Arriv'd Sloop Rosairo, Monsr. Florentine from Pondicherry. 30

Arriv'd Ship Mahomud, Hussen Noquedah, from Bengall. —

April 1 — Sloop Ruby, William Reay Master from Fort S^t. David by whom rec^d. a General Letter from the Dep^ty. Govr. & Council.

Ship Heydary Meer Sied Mahomud from Pondicherry. 2

Ketch Modena Johur Noquedah sail'd to Metchlepatam. —

At a Consultation

Present

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Govern^r. President.
Nathan^ll. Turner. Rich^d. Benyon. John Emmerson.
Randall Fowke. James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Saturday 4th. April

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. President reads the Acco^t. of the Honble. Company's Cash for the month of March, Ballance remaining twelve thousand nine hundred fifty nine Pagodas, twenty three fanams and three Cash.

Cash Acco^t. for March read.

General Letter from the Deputy Govern^r. and Council of Fort S^t. David dated March the 31st. receiv'd by the Ruby Sloop read being cover to Invoice and bill of Lading for forty bales of Callicoes and to accompany Copys of their Books and Cash Accounts.

Fort S^t. David Gen^ll. Lett^r. read.

The President then acquainted the Board that a parcell of Gunpowder bought at Pondicherry belonging to Shammut Cawn lay on board a Ship lately arriv'd from thence and that the Person under whose charge it was had desir'd leave to traverse it on board another Vessell bound to Metchlepatam but that he would not give permission till he had acquainted them of it.

Gunpowder belonging to Shammut Cawn permitted to be traversed.

Agreed that it be done.

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Surgeons demand for cloaths for the Hospital deliver'd in

The Doctors produce a demand for Cloathing for the Hospital for the service of the ensuing year, vizt.

Ban[y]an Coats	100
Quilts	100
Shirts	150
Drawers	150
Pillowbers	100
Pillows	50
Caps	100
Cot lacing Pieces	20

& ord^{d}. to be provided.

Which the Paymaster is ordered to provide.

Mar Kisna calld up and demands made on him

The Board then proceeded on Mar Kisna's affair and he being call'd up the following demands were read to him and allow'd Viz^{t}.

by Mr. Dumas

M^{r}. Dumas for two bonds principal one thousand five hundred Pagodas.

Mr. Fleetwood

M^{r}. Fleetwood for Fees and Charges of Court fifty four Pagodas.

Mr. Tullie.

M^{r}. George Tullie Ballance of an Acco^{t}. Curr^{t}. five hundred forty six Pagodas five fanams and thirty two Cash.

demand for Fees to be p^{d}. out of the first m^{o}. y^{t}. is rec^{d}.

Order'd that M^{r}. Fleetwood's demand and such part of M^{r}. Tullie's as is for fees be paid in full and out of the first moneys that shall be collected in of Mar Kisna's.

Kisna call'd upon to answer to Tomby Chittys demand.

Tomby Chitty attending the Board, Kisna was call'd upon to give answer to the second demand made by the said Tomby Chitty which he did in the following manner.

his answer.

When Tomby Chitty and Moota Vencatty Chitty were in prison they sent Gongaram to me with an offer of five hundred Pagodas if I would procure them their Liberty wch. I refusd and they afterwards themselves order'd me to pay M^{r}. Hastings one thousand Pagodas for their discharge wch. I accordingly did and they were discharg'd.

Reply of Tomby C.

Tomby Chitty denys that he ever gave any such order but that on the contrary he to the last refus'd to give a Cash to M^{r}. Hastings and Gongaram being call'd in, affirm'd to the Board that he never had any orders from the Chittys to offer Mar Kisna any money on their Acco^{t}. but that indeed having been one day at the Prison window to talk wth. them he was so concern'd to see the condition they were in y^{t}. he went to Mar Kisna and offer'd himself to give 500 Pag^{s}. to Mar Kisna for their release but that it was refus'd & he never medled in the affair after.

the decision of the affair deferr'd.

Moota Vencatty Chitty was then call'd but being in the Country the decision of this affair was deferr'd till he should come and Agreed that if he deny'd it likewise and Mar Kisna does not bring proof of the order which he says they gave him, the demand shall be allow'd.

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John Emmerson.
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James Hubbard.
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Joseph Houghton.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

NATHANIEL ELWICK ESQ^R^. GOVERN^R^. PRESID^T^. FRIDAY
NATHAN^LL^. TURNER. RICH^D^. BENYON. JOHN EMMERSON. THE 10TH.
RANDALL FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

Nathaniel Turner Accomp^t^. reads the Journal Parcells for the month of February. Jo. Parcells for Febry. read.

James Hubbard Land Customer reads that Acco^t^. for last month Viz^t^. Land Custom^rs^ Acco^t^. for March read.

Choultry Customs	...	...	...	Pag^s^. 302	32	44
Ruby Brokerage	...	...	...	2	27	72
Registring Slaves	...	...	...	—	24	—
				Pag^s^. 306	13	66

Ballance due from him two hundred eighty six Pagod^s^. twenty three fanams and thirty six Cash.

Henry Crawford Farmer of the Arrack and Wine Licence pays into Cash three hundred thirty five Pag^s^. for last month's rent of that Farm. Arrack rent for March p^d^. in.

The Heads of the Macquas pay into Cash Fifty Pagodas for the last twelve month's fishing in the river and have a new Cowle sign'd to them granting the Sole liberty to them on the same Conditions for five years longer as appears by the Cowle copy'd after this Consultation. Fishing Farm 50 Pag^s^ p^d^. in for a year's rent and a new Cowle given the Macquas.

General Letters read Viz^t^. General Lett^rs^.

From M^r^. Holcombe at Metchlepatam, advising that the French are making an Investment at Metchlepatam and some Country News. From Metchlep^m^.

From M^r^. Blunt dated the 18th. of the past month advising the arrival of the Jenny Galley with the [money] sent him and the Progress the French are endeavour^s^. to make in those Parts. From Ingeram.

From the Governour and Council of Pondicherry dated the 17°. April N. S. advising us that in ord^r^. to settle matters between Messrs. Adams & Molandin they had resolv'd to send up their Second to us & copys of what Acco^ts^. had been transmitted to them from the other Coast relating to the differences between the English and French Companys. From Pondicherry.

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JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

L. S.

WE THE PRESIDENT & COUNCIL OF FORT S^T^. GEORGE FOR AFFAIRS OF THE HON^BLE^. UNITED ENGLISH EAST INDIA COMPANY do grant unto Pasqual, Diego, Ershiah and Coaltandy &c^a^. Macquaw Men, the Sole Liberty and Priviledge of fishing in the river adjoining unto the Town forbidding any other Person to catch fish in the said River with any manner of Nets whatsoever without leâve first obtain'd from the said Pasqual, Diego, Ershiah & Coaltandy &c^a^. under penalty of forfeiting their Nets and suffering such punishment as the Justices shall think fit to inflict, reserving to the Honble. Company the Liberty of fishing there once a month for the use of the General Table, We also grant unto the said Pasqual, Diego, Ershiah & Coaltandy &c^a^. full power and authority to take and receive Custom fish of all Cattamarans &c^t^. as has been

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usually rec^{d}. by the Honble. Company for five years to commence from the 25°. March last, they paying for the same the Sum of fifty Pagod^{s}. ℔ annum at two yearly payments, Viz^{t}. one at the 25°. of September and the other on the 25°. of March, Dated in Fort S^{t}. George this 10th. day of April Anno Domini 1724.

At a Consultation

Present

Thursday the 16°.

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Govern^{r}. Presid^{r}.
Nathaniel Turner. Rich^{d}. Benyon. Jno. Emmerson.
Randall Fowke. James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Tomby Chittys dem^{d}. on M. Kisna, y^{e}. affair resum'd.

Tomby Chittys demand on Mar Kisna which was debated in Consultation the 4°. Inst^{t}. being again taken into consideration, Moota Vencatty Chitty was call'd in and declar'd to the Board that he never did make any promise to Mar Kisna of any sum of money but on the contrary resolv'd not to give anything for his Liberty.

his demand allow'd to be just.

Mar Kisna having no further Proofs to offer, but his own Assertion, that they did promise this money and order him to pay it to M^{r}. Hastings, It was unanimously Agreed that Tomby Chitty ought not to allow the one thousand Pagodas in Acco^{t}. with Mar Kisna and that his demand is just.

Rentall General & Scavinger pays in Pag^{s}. 402·18.

Joseph Houghton Rentall General and Scavinger pays into Cash four hundred and two Pagodas eighteen fanams on the following Acco^{ts}.

Six month's rent of the C^{os}. old Garden	...	...	P. 75 — —	
three month's Butteca rent & shroff duty	...	...	77 18 —	
Acco^{t}. Quit rent ...	...	...	200 — —	
Acco^{t}. Scavinger's duty ...	...	...	50 — —	
			250 — —	
				P. 402 18 —

Tobacco & Beetle Farmer pays in 583. 12 for last month.

Poncala Kisna Tobacco & Beetle Farmer pays into Cash Pagod^{s}. five hundred eighty three, & twelve fan^{s}. for one month's rent of that Farm.

N. Elwick.
Nath^{ll}. Turner.
Rich^{d}. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

[17] The Council met and Monsr. Dumas Second of Pondicherry deliver'd in a Memorial in French relating to the affairs of the Malabar Coast and the disputes between M^{r}. Adams and M^{r}. Molandin which was read and an answer promised.

[18] The Council met and having read the Translation of the French Memorial as enter'd hereafter agreed & drew up an answer which is likewise enterd here.

Memorial of the Violences and insults offer'd by the Servants of the Honble. English Company on the Malabar Coast to the Boats belonging to the French Company & of divers Outrages done to the French Flag and Nation on several occasions without regard to the reiterated Complaints y^{t}. the Servants of the French Company have made both to Madrass, Bombay and Tellicherry which violences are prov'd by the verbal processes which have been sent about them to the grand Council of Pondicherry and which J. Benoist Du Mas Second of the said Council communicated the 21st. April 1724 to the Govr. & Council of Madrass who have desir'd in writing all that I said to them *Viva Voce* which is as follows.

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EXTRACTS OF SUNDRY VERBAL PROCESSES of the 6th. Octobr. 1723.

The Fleet which the English maintain on the Malabar Coast consisting of 14 Sail of Vessells call'd Palles or Gallevats being in sight of the mouth of the River Mahey chas'd for a long time a boat or Munchua belonging to the French Company and fir'd several Shot at her to prevent her going in there. This Boat was laden with Provisions for the Servants and troops which the Company of France keep there.

of the 8th. Octr. 1723.

Mr. De la Croix an Under Merchant in the Service of the French Company embarqued the 6°. Inst. in a boat belonging to the said Company and was met by the aforesaid fourteen Vessells of the English who after having fird sevl. Cannon and small Arms boarded the sd. boat and took out about sixty fanams worth of Powder and Ball which were in the said Boat to defend her from the Rovers that are very frequent on this Coast, the Commandr. of the said Vessells made them fling the said Powder into the Sea and declard to the Rowers that if they continu'd to sail in the Service of the French Company he would cut their ears of.

of the 28th. Octr. 1723.

Two Munchuas belonging to the Company of France fitted at Calicut and commanded by Mr. De la Croix an Under Merchr. of the said Company bound to Mangelore were met by the 14 English Vessells, pursued & canonaded, one of the Shot having wounded one of the Maqua rowers, Mr. De la Croix after having fird some Paterieras & Muskets was oblig'd to go ashore about half a league from Mahey where he had two hundred bales of rice damag'd or spoil'd.

of the 18th. Novembr. 1723.

Two Toneys laden with seventy bales of rice dispatch'd from Calicut by Mr. Molandin for Mahy were pursued by the English Vessells who fir'd several Shot at them but the said Toneys got safe without damage.

of the 30th. Novembr. 1723.

THE ENGLISH FLEET meeting one of our Munchuas laden with Chinam and one hundred bales of rice took her and carry'd her to Tellicherry, afterwards the English sent her back to Calicut and would not permit her to go to Mahy.

of the 27°. December 1723.

Mr. De la Croix having dispatch'd a boat for Calicut with an Officer and fifteen Soldiers the said Boat was for a great while chas'd and fought by the English Vessells when several Macquas or Boat Men were wounded.

of the 19°. February 1724.

The English Vessells seiz'd a Munchua belonging to the French Company over against Bargaret & carried her to Tellicherry where they kept her several days, this Munchua was going to Mangalor laden with rice for the Ship Union design'd to Mocha.

of the 28th. of February.

Mr. Léiet in the Service of the Company of France having dispatch'd two Munchuas from Calicut laden wth. Chinam, Mats, charcoal and Coire and other things necessary for the Settlement at Mahy, they were taken & seiz'd by the English Fleet & carry'd to Tellicherry which they did not return till they had been demanded several times.

A VERBAL PROCESS of the examination and declaration of a Coffree man'd John Fernandez a Soldier in the English Troops who came ashore the night of the 23d. January 1724 from the English Vessells and declares that he was sent by the Commr. to set fire to the French Lodge and the Straw houses that are near it and that they gave him granadoes and match for that Purpose but that the Toney in which he was being overset in coming ashore he could not execute his design.

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The English Vessells have carry'd off several Macquas or Boat Men from under the French flag who were in the Service of the French Company and liv'd in the Settlement at Mahey and they to this hour keep them Prisoners.

Tis therefore with just reason that the Council of Pondicherry accuse M^r. Adams and other Servants of the English Company on the Malabar Coast of having insulted the French Nation, attack'd their Flag and caus'd damage to the Company which are sufficiently prov'd by the above mention'd Verbal Processes, to which we might add y^e. certain advices which have been given the Council of Pondicherry by the Cap^ns. of the Ships that have pass'd that way.

M^r. Adams affirms that M^r. Molandin Cheif for the French Company on the Malabar Coast has incited some of the Nairos or Grandees of the Country to make war on the English, that he has furnishd them with powder and arms in order to assist them to force the English out of their Territorys, Nothing can be more contrary to truth than this assertion and one word will be sufficient to evince it, the s^d. M^r. Molandin never had any Troops, powder or Arms even to defend himself and by Consequence it was impossible for him to furnish others with them; Such orders were never given him and it is not credible that he would have dar'd to have done it of his own head.

The English affirm that Boyanor is only a Govr. and not a Sovereign and from thence conclude that he has not power to grant us this establishment.

Boyanor in this Country is acknowledg'd by every body to be a Sovereign, he has power of life & death over his Subjects, enjoys the Rights and honours of the most perfect Sovereignty, makes war and Peace without the Concurrence of any Prince but him who is to succeed him who has consented to our establishment, He came to this Principality by right of Succession in the same manner as his Ancestors have done who no more than him ever acknowledg'd Collistry their Superiour nor ever did him homage or Fealty nor paid any tribute to denote their Vassalage and M^r. Molandin who has been for several years on this Coast has seen a Succession of three of these Princes without any interruption.

M^r. Adams pretends another thing which upon due examination ought to convince the world of his ill designs.

M^r. Molandin, says he, has promised Forces to the Prince of Bargaret to assist him to demolish Tellicherry and drive the English out of the Country, with what view could M^r. Molandin entertain such an Idea or by what order should he have acted, he denys this and the Scituation he was in could not give him leave to think such a thing.

All these pretended Charges do but too manifestly prove the design they have of quarrelling with the French Company and finding pretences to oblige them to abandon their establishment at Mahey and to destroy either by famine or other Methods less allowable the Subjects of their King who are kept there for their Commerce and defence.

The Council of Pondicherry fully persuaded of the inclination which the Gentlemen of the Council of Madrass have to maintain the Peace and union wch. has always been between the two nations in India, Hope that after having carefully examin'd all the Papers that I have communicated to you from them you will disavow the Conduct of M^r. Adams & the Officers that act und^r. his orders on the Malabar Coast & that strict orders will be given to prevent any more of these violences being offer'd for the future, because that may occasion an intire rupture and very considerably trouble the Commerce of India.

In fine Gentlemen if all the Steps which the Council of Pondicherry have taken to prevent bad Consequences from this affair, are of no effect and that the Servants of the English East India Company have no regard thereto

The Council of Pondicherry order me to declare to you in the name of our Company

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, APRIL 1724*——

That we neither can nor will suffer the Settlement to be destroyd which our Nation made at Mahey in the Territorys of the Prince of Bargaret upon the Malabar Coast, hav^e^. strict ord^rs^. from our Superiours in France to maintain it with all our Forces.

That you will put us under an indispensable necessity of repelling force by force and using reprisals whereever we find an opportunity and we protest ag^st^. the English Company for the damage and interruption, which that will occasion to the commerce of the French Company and they will be answerable for all the detriments that will be thereby sustain'd which will be the more considerable because if this affair be not terminated in a friendly manner, the Council of Pondicherry will find themselves oblig'd to keep in India the Ships that are now actually here as well as those which are expected in the next Monsoon, till they can receive orders from France about this affair, the said Vessells being designd home in October [next] with considerable Cargoes, the Council of Pondicherry do again protest against the English Company for the great damage which the want of their Ships in France will occasion to the Company.

This present Memorial was presented the Govr. and Council of Madrass assembled the 28th. April 1724.

DUMAS.

To M^r^. BENGIST DUMAS
SECOND OF THE GRAND COUNCIL OF THE
ROYAL FRENCH EAST INDIA COMPANY AT PONDICHERRY.

S^R^.

The Memorial which you deliver us in behalf and by order of the Council of Pondicherry bearing date the 28th. of this Ins^t^.NS we have duely consider'd, the Several Facts mention'd in the former part of it give us the utmost uneasiness, since as we have already told you Tellicherry is intirely independent on us and consequently we can do no more to prevent the like in future but to write in the most pressing terms to the Gentlemen of Bombay and Tellicherry & endeavour to persuade them to cease from all hostilitys hence forward, this being the case we shall not enter into the merits of the several Causes of Complaints contain'd in your Memorial but shall leave them to be setled and terminated between you and the Gentlemen of Bombay und^r^. whose jurisdiction Tellicherry properly is. We doubt not but the Govr. & Council of Bombay will before this have finish'd the dispute between you and them which we have the more reason to expect because we are certain there is no power lodg'd with any of the Honble. English Company's Settlements to disturb or Molest the Subjects of France or any others in their trade and Commerce in the Indies.

We shall not therefore scruple to tell you that supposing the facts and Circumstances to be exactly as you relate them we are very inclinable to think M^r^. Adams has gone greater Lengths than we should possibly have car'd to have done but as we before said He not being any way Subordinate to this Place has not given us such full advices about this affair as we should otherwise have had and therefore we are not capable of judging intirely how far his Proceedings are lawfully warrantable. For our selves S^R^.We sincerely assure you that we have nothing more at heart than to maintain that Union and friendship that has been for so long a time kept up between the French and English Nations in the Indies to convince you of which our utmost Solicitations shall not be wanting with the Gentlemen on the other Side to persuade them to embrace the good inclinations which the Govr. of Pondicherry and his Council have profess'd towards Peace to make a lasting agreement with you that so we may enjoy the benefits of Trade and converse without Molestation or interruption, the necessity of which both to your Selves and us is so plain that we need not insist further thereon.

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We shall with the utmost expedition transmit Copys of the Papers rec^{d}. from you to Bombay and Tellicherry to which we shall join our hearty Wishes and desires for a speedy accomodation. We are

Fort S^{t}. George
18th. April 1724

S^{rs}.
Y^{r}. very humble Servants
Nathaniel Elwick.
Nathaniel Turner.
Richard Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall Fowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

18 Brig^{t}. George (belonging to M^{r}. Tullie) came in from the S^{o}.ward.

18 The Mocha Galley Capt. Joseph Lovell arriv'd from Beng^{ll}. by her rec^{d}. a General Lett^{r}. from the Presid^{t}. & Council there.

19 Deliver'd our Answer to the French Memorial to Monsr. Dumas.

20 Arriv'd Sloop Hope Monsr. Boonsack from Tranquebar.

— Arriv'd Ship Paterahemoney Perjee Syrang from Atcheen.

22 Monsr. Dumas return'd to Pondicherry, by him was sent a General Lett^{r}. to the Govr. & Council of that Place.

— Dispatch'd at the same time twenty Peons with ten thous^{d}. Pagod^{s}. and a lett^{r}. to the Dep^{ty}. Govr. & Council of F^{t}. S^{t}. David.

23 Rec^{d}. a General Lett^{r}. from the Cheif & Council of Vizag^{m}.

24 Brig^{t}. George belonging to M^{r}. Tullie sail'd for Fort S^{t}. David.

25 Ship Gopaul Gruapa Syrang arriv'd from Ganjam.

Saild ship Heydaree Meer Sidoo Mahomud to Bengall.

Sail'd Brig^{t}. Mahomud Johur Syrang to Bengall.

26 Ship Brittania Capt. James Berriman arr^{d}. from Goa.

At a Consultation

Present

Monday the 27°. Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Govern^{r}. Presid^{t}.
Nathan^{LL}. Turner. Rich^{d}. Benyon. Jno. Emmerson.
Randall Fowke. James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Mint Acco^{t}. for Mar: [read]. Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Mintmast^{r}. reads that Acco^{t}. for last month Ballance one hundred forty five Pagodas twenty nine fanams and fifty Cash which he now pays in and rupees 933. 4. — which are deliver'd the Warehousek^{r}.

Exp^{t}. Warek^{rs}. Acco^{t}. for March read. Richard Benyon Export Warehousek^{r}. reads y^{t}. Acco^{t}. for last month Ballance due from him one hundred and forty Pagod^{s}. eighteen fanams and five Cash.

Imp^{t}. Warek^{rs}. Acco^{t}. for March read. Richard Benyon Import Warek^{r}. reads y^{t}. Acco^{t}. for last month Ballance due from him three hundred & sixty nine Pagodas, twenty fanams and thirty seven Cash.

Sea Custrs. Acco^{t}. for March read. John Emmerson Sea Customer his Acco^{t}. for last month read, Viz^{t}.

Custom on Goods exported & imported	...			...	5015 6 64	
D^{o}. on Grain	...	...	...	...	616 14 56	
Anchorage	...	...	...	...	100 18 —	
						P. 5732 3 40

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ball^ce. due from him fourteen thousand eight hundred ninety seven pagod^s. 34 : 58 cash of which he pays in five thousand Pagodas.

Randall Fowke Paymaster reads that Acco^t. for last month Viz^t. Paym^rs. Acco^t. for Mar: read.

Charges Garrison	1918	21	40
Charges General	606	5	5
Charges extraordinary	56	4	—
Accot. Presents	42	18	—
House Moveables	8	—	—
Bombay Presidency	40	—	—
Godowns by the half Moon Battery ...	24	34	—
Charges Cattle	116	23	20
Repairs of Fortifications	121	22	50
Charges diet	583	12	—
Marlbrô Fort	1	—	—
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Ballance due from him five hundred thirty nine Pag^s. five fanams and fifteen Cash.

The extraordinary Expence this month arises from the following Particulars. Extra: Expence ex^d.

CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY.			
Diet to 13 Prisoners as ℔ Marsh^ls. Note ...	13	—	—
D^o. to 4 West Coast Coffrys	6	—	—
given 2 Sold^rs. on the Christning of their Child^n.	2	—	—
a Medal presented the Syrang of Ship Good-fellow	31	5	—
Piscash & Batty to Sannaud Cawn's Mauldar ...	3	7	—
Cooley hire for carrying oranges to the Nabob.	—	23	—
Boat hire for survey^s. y^e. Walpole	—	5	—
P.	56	4	—
Acco^t. PRESENTS.			
a gold Chain given Damnulla Vencapata Naigue	42	18	—
HOUSE MOVEABLES.			
Chairs 1 Doz^n.	8	—	—
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY.			
allowance money to the dec^d. Widows Cowse & Burton and their Children	40	—	—
GODOWNS BY THE HALF MOON BATTERY.			
Materials & workmen this month	24	34	—
MARLBRÔ: FORT.			
P^d. Zacheas Bradley Corporal there, his Wife...	1	—	—
PAGOD^s.	172	20	—

George Drake Storek^r. reads that Acco^t. for last month Ballauce due from him one thousand seven hundred eighty five Pagod^s. six Fanams and sixty five Cash of which he pays in one thousand Pagodas. Storek^rs' Acco^t. for Mar: read.

James Hubbard Land Customer delivers in an Acco^t. Sales of Chints &c^a. seiz'd at the Choultry which were sold by ord^r. of Council of the 3^d. March and produc'd sixty seven Pag^s. thirty three fanams and fouteen Cash as ℔ Particulars ent^d. hereafter. Land Custom^r. delivers in Acco^t. Sales of Chints seizd at the Choultry.

ORDER'D that the half of the said Sum be paid into the Company's Cash and the other be divided amongst the officers at the Choultry. half to be divided amo^gst. the officers of the Choultry & the other part to be paid into Cash.

James Hubbard Land Customer pays into Cash two hundred eighty six Pagod^s. twenty three fanams and thirty six Cash for ballance of his last month's Acco^t. Land Cust^rs March Ballance paid in.

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five Chests of Silver to be dd. Sun: Ramah acco^{t}, his Fort S^{t}. David Contract.

Sunca Ramah having a large Ballance due to him at Fort S^{t}. David and requesting payment thereof,

AGREED that he be deliver'd five Chests of Silver at fifteen Dollars ℔ ten Pagod^{s}. on Acco^{t}. thereof.

General Lett^{rs}. from Bengall

General Letter from the Presid^{t}. & Council of Fort William bearing datethe 3^{d}. March 1723/4 read wherein they press for the Supply of Silver which we promis'd to send them after the dispatch of our Shipping if to be spar'd and inclose Invoice and bill of Lading for two thousand bags of Salt Petre.

and Vizagapatam.

Likewise read a General Letter from Vizagap^{m}. dated the 3^{d}. Ins^{t}. advising the arrival of the Jenny Galley and Jane with the Goods on board them, they promise to take great Care in their investment and to employ the money sent them so as to send their Goods up in time to go home in order to prevent the like disappointment which we this year met with by the Jane's coming up so late, tell us their Washers will not come up hither, advise some Country News and inclose their Cash and Paymaster's Acco^{ts}. and their Consultations.

The Presid^{t}, acquaints the B^{d}. of the behaviour of the Armenians.

After this the President told the Board that the Armenians had for a long time behav'd themselves in a very insolent haughty manner and had render'd themselves not only undeserving the great Priviledges granted them but likewise obnoxious to the Government by several Actions contrary to the rules and regulations thereof, That he had order'd them to attend the Board to answer to several facts he had to charge them with. The first was that Codejee George and the rest of the Own^{rs}. of ship London had imported great part of that Ship's Cargo at Pondicherry to the amo^{t}. of twelve thousand Pagodas contrary to the orders of the Company as would fully appear recourse being had to the 103^{d}. Paragraph of their Letter of the 7°. April 1708, where they order the Native Inhabitants be expell'd the Bounds if they carry the trade to S^{t}. Thome to the prejudice of the Customs of Madrass which by parity of reason holds the Same with respect to Pondicherry since wherever the Goods are imported still the Customs are lost to them. He likewise produc'd Para 10 of the 19°. December 1719, where are these remarkable words speaking of the French, That none of our Servants whether Europeans or Indians nor any of our Merch^{ts}. or Brokers be permitted to buy or sell for them or otherwise assist them in their trade or Merchandize, He added that Codejee Petrus an Armenian lately arriv'd from Manilha and an Inhabitant of this Place had contracted with the French this very year for thirty thousand Dollars worth of Goods upon freight and that besides they had incourag'd one Bassilio a subject of Manilha to come hither and carry away the freight from this Place, all which actions tend greatly to the damage of the Company with respect to their Customs and to the place it self by encouraging foreigners & destroy^{s}. the Navigation of the English, He added that this evil had been long growing to the higth it now is and that as it is daily increasing if the Board do not take some measures to prevent it, the Commerce of Madrass must inevitably fall away to nothing.

The matter debated and the Armenians call'd in.

The matter being sometime debated and the Priviledges granted the Armenians duely consider'd they were call'd in and told that it was the express orders of the Company that no Inhabitant of Madrass should be allow'd to import Goods in any foreign Settlement to the prejudice of the Customs of this Place, Likewise that none und^{r}. the English Protection were to aid and assist other Nations in their trade and Navigation to the detriment of the English, They affirm'd that they never had done any thing of this kind, but being press'd with the importation of Goods at Pondicherry Codejee George assur'd the Board that he knew nothing of the doing of it till the Goods were ashore and sold and as to the Contract with y^{e}. French Codejee Petrus told them that money came from Manilha for Acco^{t}. of Spaniards there and consign'd to him & another Armenian upon the French Ship and that his orders were to return it on the same Ship.

their Answer to the above Charge.

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They were then order'd to withdraw and after some small debate it was AGREED to over look what was past but to let them know that if they were guilty of such Practices for the future they should be proceeded against with the utmost rigour in complyance with the orders of our Honble Masters. They were call'd in accordingly and told the Resolution of the Board to which they promis'd due obedience. They withdraw and are afterwards call'd in and told the Resolution of the Bd.

N. ELWICK.
NATHL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

ACCO^{T}. SALES of 3 Corge 17 P^{s}. of Chints and 10 P^{s}. of Lampasses at the Choultry the 26°. of April 1724.

			Pa.			
M^{r}. Waring...Lampasses	...	10 P^{s} @ 13 $\frac{3}{16}$ ℔ Co.	6	21	30
M^{r}. Davis ...Chints	...	1 Co @ 16 $\frac{1}{8}$ ℔ D°	16	4	40
D°. D°.	...	1 D°. @ 16 ℔ D°.	16	—	--
D° D°.	...	1 D°. @ 16 ℔ D°.	16	—	—
D°. D°.	...	17 P^{s} @ 16 $\frac{1}{8}$ ℔ D°.	13	25	24
		Pa.	68	15	14
	Cryer		—	18	—
				Pa. 67	33 14

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JAMES HUBBARD
Land Customer.

Sloop Charles and Mary, John Upton, arr^{d}. from Pondicherry. 29
Ship Sunderland Capt. Charles Williams arr^{d}. from Bussero. —
Arriv'd ship Prince Frederick belonging to the Honble. Comp^{a}. Capt. William Haynes Command^{r}. from Bombay. 30
Ships Hannover & Morning Star from Surat.
Brig^{t}. Carimbux Mahomud Suffee from the Maldivys.
Rec^{d}. a general Lett^{r}. from the Cheif & Factors at Tellicherry. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

NATHANIEL ELWICK ESQ^{R}. GOVERN^{R}. PRESIDENT.
NATH^{LL}. TURNER. RICH^{D}. BENYON. JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

THURSDAY THE 30TH.

General Letter from the Cheif & Council of Tellicherry dated the 20th. March 1723/4 relating to the disputes with the French and likewise giving an Acco^{t}. of the attack on a Sydee Ship in the night time wherein were some women belonging to our Nabob's Family, at the same time were read. Tellicherry Genll. Lettr. read.

Copys of Letters to and from Capt. Baudrian relating to the Shawallum with the Capt. &c^{ts}. report of the hostilitys offer'd them by the French Ship, Particulars of which came to hand before. Read likewise as likewise Sevll. Papers & Letters.

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Letters to and from Capt. Gaillard De Boisriou relating to the Southgate.

Copy of a Protest deliver'd said Capt.

Copy of Articles between the English and French.

Copy of M^{r}. Walker's Relation of his usage by the French.

Capt. Baynton's Acco^{t}. of the Attack on the Sydee Ship.

Copy of Depositions relating thereto.

Interrogatorys relating to that affair.

All which Papers are enter'd in our Letter Book from N°. 50 to N°. 71.

The affair of Christ^{n}. Knoes & Sahid Allee determin'd.

After which the Board proceeded on the Appeal between Christian Knoes and Sahid Allee and after having fully examin'd every Article of their Acco^{ts}. It was Resolv'd that Sahid Allee is indebted to Christian Knoes in the Sum of two hundred seventy four Pagod^{s}. twenty one fanams and seventy five Cash and no more which is order'd to be paid him and that Sahid Allee bear the Charges of Court but that each Party pay his own Charges while in Consultation.

Secretary to see the proper discharges perform'd.

Order'd that upon the payment of the said Sum the two Partys do give each other general releases and that the Secretary see it perform'd.

Warek^{r}. pays in Ps. 13127. 31. 30 for Silver sold.

Richard Benyon Import Warek^{r}. pays into Cash thirteen thousand one hundred twenty seven Pagodas thirty one Fanams and thirty Cash being the amount of five Chests of Silver which was order'd last Consultation to be deliver'd Suncha Ramah Acco^{t}. his Fort S^{t}. David Contract.

N. Elwick.
Nath^{ll}. Turner.
Rich^{d}. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

1 Dispatch'd a General Lett^{r}. to M^{r}. Blunt at Ingeram.

At a Consultation

Present

Monday the 4°.

Nathan^{ll}. Elwick Esqr. Governour Presid^{t}.
Nathan^{ll}. Turner. Rich^{d}. Benyon. Jn°. Emmerson.
Randall Fowke. James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

The Warek^{r}. delivers in a state of the Contracts with an acco^{t}. of what wanting to compleat the List of Investment.

Richard Benyon Warehousek^{r}. delivers into the Board a State of the Contracts as they stood at the departure of the Europe Ships with what more necessary to be contracted for in order to comply with the List of Investment from Europe which would have been deliver'd in much sooner but that he was prevented for some reasons which he referr'd to the President for.

The Presid^{t}. informs the Board that the dividing the Co^{s}. Merch^{ts}. in the Contracts had not had the good effect design'd.

The President thereupon inform'd the Board that he had for some time past observ'd that the dividing the Company's Merchants had not had the good effect design'd which was to raise an emulation between them thereby to procure the better Cloth from both ; That this at first Succeeded but that the demand was now so much increas'd both for our selves and other European Nations that instead of making each Set endeavour to exceed the other in the goodness of the Cloth it had only encourag'd their Weavers to slight the Fabrick and bring worse Goods to Market because if one

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Buyer would not take them off another would, He added that he had a long time perceiv'd an inclination in each Set to act jointly but that they had stood off upon Punctilios which he had at last overcome and they were now willing to contract with the Company in one body ; That as they had been ever since the dispatch of last Ships constantly bringing in Goods upon the old Contract which was not even yet compleated and that this is to be of the usual Sortment, no ill Consequence could arise from its having been thus long delay'd.

The Contract now to be made with y^ms. jointly.

AGREED that the Contract be made with Suncah Ramah & Tomby Chitty jointly which before was with each singly that appearing to the Board to be the most likely way for the Merchants to provide the Cloth in time and good of the sort.

They are call'd in & acquainted with the Sortments, and promise to provide 2988 bales on the follows. Conditions.

They were accordingly call'd in and the Sortments express'd in the aforementioned state of the Contracts propos'd to be now agreed on being now read over to them : They promis'd to provide two thousand nine hundred eighty eight Bales of Cloth upon the following Conditions.

Which are : First, the prices to be the same as y^s. last.

FIRST that the prices be the same they had the last year which they declare positively they cannot recede from alledging that they got so little by that Contract that it is hardly worth their while to engage in it.

to which the Board agree.

The Board being Sensible what they urge in this Case is very true after having engag'd them to bring in the Cloth better in Specie than formerly acquiesc'd herewith & proceeded to the other Conditions which are.

Secondly, The time limited. Thirdly, The Sortment.

SECONDLY that two thirds of the said quantity be ready by the 1st. of December and the other one third by the last of January next.

THIRDLY that at least the one half of these be N°. 1.

Fourthly, The Payments.

FOURTHLY that no money be advanc'd them till the Goods be bro^t. into their Godowns.

Lastly, The forfeiture in case of non Complyance.

LASTLY that if not impeeded by the Country Governm^t. they will forfeit 20 ℔ Cent of the Prices if the Goods be not deliver'd in time.

Capt. Haynes's reasons to be demanded for com^s. to this Port.

The Prince Frederick Capt. William Haynes being come to this Port from the other Coast, ORDER'D that the Secretary do demand his reasons for so doing.

3500 Pags. to be adv^d. the Paymast^r.

ORDER'D to advance the Paymaster three thousand five hundred Pagodas to defray Charges Garrison.

Demand made by Amerose Nina Tawker on Mar Kisna.

Amerose Nina Tawker delivers into the Board a demand on Mar Kisna for Pagod^s. 1412 : — : — with the Interest which is receiv'd, the said Amerose Nina Tawker alledging that he was in the Country and sick at the time limited for all demands to be made and that he had no body here that could make it for him. AGREED to examine it some other time.

Cash Acc^t. for April read.

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Presid^t. reads the Acco^t. of the Honble. Company's Cash, Ballance remaining ten thousand seven hundred sixty two Pagod^s. thirty four fanams and nine Cash.

Money paid in by M^r. Benyon acco^t. M^r. Turton's estate.

M^r. Richard Benyon pays into Cash twenty nine Pagod^s. sixteen fanams and fifty Cash, being so much due to the Estate of M^r. John Turton for a dividend of his Concern und^r. Edward Harrison Esqr. in the Colloway Chitty for a debt recover'd in Manilha this year.

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The Presidt. informs the Bd. he had been advis'd Mr. Smith had left Fort St. D. without leave.

The President then inform'd the Board that he had been advis'd in a private Letter from Fort St. David Mr. James Smith whom we lately sent down thither had left that Place without leave and that he had lately seen Mr. Smith here and that he thought some measures should be taken to prevent Such Practices.

Mr. Smith call'd in and ask'd the reason but giving very trifling answers & refusing to return is dismiss'd the Cos. Service.

Mr. Smith was then call'd in and ask'd why he left Fort St. David, he reply'd he had not necessarys of Life, being ask'd if he had not his diet money paid him he said yes, but that would not maintain him & urg'd two or three more such trivial excuses, however the Board being inclinable to use gentle methods with him told him if he would return to his duty all should be forgiven him, if he would not, they should be oblig'd to dismiss him in complyance with the Honble. Company's positive orders to which he reply'd they might dismiss him a hundred Services if they pleas'd but that he would not go down again, Upon which he was told that he was to look upon himself as dismiss'd from this time the Honble. Compas. Service for they had no Further business for him.

N. Elwick.
Nathll. Turner.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

State of the Contracts in Fort St. George as they stood upon the dispatch of the Europe Shipping with a Calculate of what now to be contracted for to compleat the last year's List of Investment.

	Remas. of last Year's Contract.	What to be contracted for now.	Total.
		Bales.	Bales.
Long Cloth ordinary	...	1332	1332
Do. Worriapollam Carrure & Nagure	...	...	1332
Do. Midling	13	137	150
Do. blew	...	100	100
Do. Fine	53	147	200
Sallempores Ordy.	...	1000	1000
Do. Worriapollam Carrure & Nagure	322	...	375
Do. Midling	12	88	100
Do. Fine	48	102	150
Moorees Ordy.	8	29	37
Do. Fine	23	2	25
Ginghams Plain White	12	4	16
Betteelas of 40 Covids	21	9	30
Do. of 50	26	14	37
Long Cloth Superfine & fit for Shirts	Pieces 500	...	Ps. 500
Do. Fine Stripes as Pul : Gingham	100		100
Sallempores Fine Stripes as Pul : Do.	500	...	500
Do. Superfine & thick for Shirts	1000	...	1000
Betteelas Pulicat	...	5	500
Do. of 3 Covids	...	2	200
Chints	...	8	800
Ginghams Strip'd	1000	...	1000
Do. White large	500	...	500
Izarees	200	...	200
Allejars	Bales 1	3	Bales 4
Collowapooze	...	4	4
Sacerguntys	...	4	4
Romalls	5	1	6

The Worriapollam Carrure & Nagure Cloth to be provided at Fort St. David.

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A CONTRACT agreed on this 4th. day of May, one thousand seven hundred and twenty four between the Honble the President & Council of Fort St. George for Affairs of the Honble United East India Company on the one Part and SUNCHA RAMAH AND TOMBY CHITTY for themselves &ca. Joint Stock Merchants on the other Part.

FIRST, That the Said SUNCHA RAMAH & TOMBY CHITTY &ca. Joint Stock Merchants shall provide and deliver two thousand nine hundred eighty eight Bales of Cloth of the Species undermentioned.

SECONDLY, That two thirds of the said quantity so to be provided shall be deliver'd on or before the 1st. of December next.

THIRDLY, That the remaining one third shall be deliver'd on or before the last of January next.

FOURTHLY, That of these Goods at least one half shall be of N°. 1.

FIFTHLY, That no money shall be advanc'd the Merchants on Accot. of this Contract till the Goods are actually in their Godowns.

SIXTHLY, The said SUNCA RAMAH & TOMBY CHITTY &ca. Joint Stock Merchants do hereby Covenant & agree with the said Honble. Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. &ca. Council that if they do not comply with the articles foregoing either in the time of delivery or Sortment of the Goods that then and in such Case they will allow an abatement of twenty ℔ Cent on the Prices except it appears plainly that they were prevented by troubles in the Country.

SEVENTHLY, IN CONSIDERATION of these articles to be complyd wth. on their part the sd. Honble. Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. &ca. Council have & do Covenant and agree with ye. said Suncha Ramah & Tomby Chitty to allow them the following Prices for the Several Goods after mentioned to be provided as abovesaid.

	Pieces	Bales.	Pags. Price.	Fa.	Ca.	Pago- das.	Fans.	Cash.
Long Cloth Ordinary ...	39960	1332	@ 31	18	—	℔ Co. 62,937	—	—
Dº. Midling	4110	137	@ [38]	—	—	9709	—	—
Dº. Blue	3000	100	@ 38	—	—	5700	—	—
Dº. Fine	5880	147	@ 60	—	—	17640	—	—
Sallempores Ordinary ...	80000	1000	@ 14	18	—	58,000	—	—
Dº. Midling ...	7040	88	@ 17	18	—	6160	—	—
Dº. Fine	10200	102	@ 29	—	—	14790	—	—
Moorees Ordinary	4640	29	@ 19	—	—	4408	—	—
Dº. Fine	320	2	@ 33	—	—	528	—	—
Ginghams Plain White ...	500	4	@ 24	—	—	600	—	—
Betteelas of 40 Covids ...	900	9	@ 32	18	—	1462	18	—
Dº. of 50 Dº. ...	880	11	@ 41	9	—	1815	—	—
Dº. Pulicat	500	5	@ 120	—	—	3000	—	—
Dº. of 3 Covds. brd. ...	200	2	@ 100	—	—	1000	—	—
Chints	800	8	@ 40	—	—	1600	—	—
Allejars	375	3	@ 25	—	—	468	27	—
Collawapowses	500	4	@ 27	—	—	675	—	—
Sacerguntees	500	4	@ 27	—	—	675	—	—
Romalls	100	1	@ 42	18	—	212	18	—
Bales.	2988		amot. to Pags.			189480	27	—

SUNCA RAMAH సుంకు రామ్ల [illegible].
TOMBY CHITTY தம்பி செட்டி கைபழுத்து.
NALLAMOOTA CHITTY நல்லமுத்து செட்டி.
COLLAITY CHITTY கானத்தி செட்டி.

WITNESS.
GEORGE TORRIANO
Secry.

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9 Arriv'd Ship Petersfield Capt. Stephen Worlidge Comm^{r}. by her rec^{d}. the following Letters from the West Coast.

One from James Macrae Esqr. Supravisor of the West Coast.

Two from the Dep^{ty}. Govr. & Council of Fort Marlbrô with a Duplicate of their Letter ℔ Goodfellow.

One from Messrs. Hayward and Rider at Madeira.

One from Messrs. Blower & Smith at the Cape.

At a Consultation

Present

Sunday the 10th.

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Govern^{r}. President.
Nathan^{LL}. Turner. Rich^{d}. Benyon. Jno. Emmerson.
Randall Fowke. James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

The Petersfield arrv^{d}. from the W. Coast the Council met & read the follg. General Letters.

The Petersfield arriving last night from the West Coast and bringing several Letters from the Supravisor and Dep^{ty}. Govern^{r}. the Council met this morning to hear the state of affairs there when the following Letters were read.

Dup^{e}. of theirs design'd ℔ Goodfellow.

Duplicate of that design'd by the Goodfellow, which by the accident attending that Ship we did not receive giving us an Acco^{t}. of the affairs of that Setlem^{t}. to the time of her departure.

From the Supravisor

One from the Worship^{ll}. James Macrae Esqr. Supravisor of the West Coast advising the Progress he had made in the examination of the several Persons & affairs there and that he design'd to dispatch the Swallowfield (if he could get Pepper) to England but that the Young Derby (which Vessell was full of Pepper) was drove into the Streights of Sunda and he fear'd would not get up time enough to send the Swallowfield home, advises his being appointed Dep^{ty}. Govr. of Fort S^{t}. David and that M^{r}. Pitt comes out Second of Fort S^{t}. George & incloses bill of Lading for Lead shipt on board the Petersfield.

From the Dep^{ty}. Govr. & Council.

Two from the Deputy Govern^{r}. & Council of Fort Marlbrô one dated October 22^{d}. and the other May the 9°. 1724, the first advising the arrival of the Dep^{ty}. Govern^{r}. and what bills drawn on us as follows.

Bills drawn.

1, 2 & 3^{d}. Bill payable to M^{r}. James Hubbard or order value rec^{d}. of Joseph Walsh	Pag^{s}.	2666	24 —
1, 2 & 3^{d}. Bill payable to M^{r}. Nathaniel Turner or ord^{r}. rec^{d}. of Joseph Walsh the Value		4000	— —
1, 2 & 3^{d}. payable to M^{r}. Nathaniel Turner or ord^{r}. value rec^{d}. of Lewis Deane		1333	12 —
1, 2 & 3^{d}. Bill payable to M^{r}. Rich^{d}. Benyon or ord^{r}. value rec^{d}. of Lewis Deane		2666	24 —
1, 2 & 3^{d}. Bill payable to Thomas Blackall or ord^{r}. value rec^{d}. of the said Thos. Blackall		1000	— —
1, 2 & 3^{d}. Bill payable to M^{r}. James Hubbard or ord^{r}. value of Michael Jeddree		666	24 —
	Pagod^{s}.	12333	12 —

which are accepted.

The reasons urg'd by the Dep^{ty}. Governour & Council for drawing these Bills being that they had no Cash remaining in the Place, that a ballance was actually due to the late Cash Keeper and that therefore they were oblig'd to draw on us which actually appears to be fact from the Copys of the Cash Acco^{ts}. It is Agreed to accept the said Bills.

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The other mentions the arrival of Mr. Macrae and that they had drawn on us the following Bills. other Bills drawn.

1, 2 & 3d. bill payable to Joseph Ormston or ordr. value recd. of him	4000	—	—
1, 2 & 3d. Bill payable to Nathaniel Turner Esqr. or ordr. value recd. of Joseph Walsh	2666	24	—
Pagods. 6666	24	—	

Which are accepted it appearing from their Cash Accots. inclos'd they were under necessity of taking the money to defray the Charges of Garrison &ca. which are also accepted.

They likewise inclose Invoice and bill of Lading for Lead and Anchors on board the Petersfield which are Ship'd freight free. Invo. for Lead & anchrs. abd. the Petersfield inclos'd in the Lettr.

Read likewise a Lettr. from Messrs. Hayward and Rider inclosing Invoice of fifty Pipes of Wine on board the Cardigan. a Lettr. from Madeira read.

Likewise One from Messrs. Blower & Smith who stay at the Cape to make an end of Selling the Goods sav'd out of the Wrecks inclosing second Bill of Lading for Lead consign'd to James Macrae Esqr. on the Swallowfield. & one from ye. Cape.

N. Elwick.
Nathll. Turner.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Sign'd an ordr. to the Commr. of the Petersfield to send ashore the Lead and Anchors which were laden aboard at the West Coast. 10

Recd. a Generall Letter from the Deptv. Govr. & Council of Fort St. David. —

Ship Severn Capt. Henry Cave Commandr. arriv'd from Surat. 11

Brigantine George belonging to Mr. Tullie came in from the Southward. —

Brigant Carimbux Mahomud Suffie sail'd for Bengall. 12

At a Consultation

Present

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Governr. President.
Nathanll. Turner. Richd. Benyon. Jno. Emmerson.
Randall Fowke. James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Wednesday the 13th.

Capt. Haynes delivers to the Board his reasons for coming to this Port as enter'd after this Consultn. Capt. Hayne's reasons for comg. here dd in.

Fort St. David General Letter read dated the 4o. May advising the receipt of ten thousand Pags. sent them over land, that Mr. Smith had left that Place and that Mr. Launce their Gunner was lately dead. Fort St. David Genll Lettr. read.

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James Formon entertain'd Gunner for Fort St. David.

Mr. James Formon being a Person of Sobriety & Capacity and having offer'd his Service in the Station of Gunner at Fort St. David was entertain'd and order'd to go down thither immediately.

Stephen Gibbon appointed Gunrs. mate of this Place.

There having been a vacancy for sometime in the employ of Gunner's Mate for this Garrison Mr. Gibbon was appointed to that Place and enter'd upon it accordingly.

Arrack rent for April paid in.

Henry Crawford Farmer of the Arrack & Wine License pays into Cash three hundred thirty five Pags. for last month's rent of that Farm due the 5°. Instant.

Measuring duty for 2 mos. paid in.

Nundalal & Gopaul Dauze Farmers of the Measuring duty pay into Cash one hundred thirty six Pagods. twenty four fanams for two month's rent of that Farm due the 20th. Ulto.

Land Custrs. Accot. for April read.

James Hubbard Land Customer reads that Accot. for last month Vizt.

Choultry Customs	...	...	...	...	520	18	16
Ruby Brokerage	...	...	...	...	17	2	29
Registring Slaves	...	...	...	...	—	24	—
					Ps. 538	8	45

Ballance due from him Pagods. five hundred & eighteen nineteen fanams and forty five Cash.

Storekeepr. delivers in a list of Wares & Stores spoil'd & wasted for the last year.

George Drake Storekr. delivers to the Board an Accot. of Stores wasted and spoil'd for the last twelve mos. as enter'd after this Consultation, it being very apparent that the said loss is unavoidable it is AGREED to write ym. off to Profit & loss.

The Warehr. to sell 16 Chests of Silver to supply the Cash &ct.

The Cash being low and a necessity for supplying Fort St. David with Cash, ORDER'D that the Warehr. sell sixteen Chests of Silver for ready money to supply the Cash and other Necessitys.

The 2 sets of Merchts. take 5 Chests eâ : acct. their Contracts.

There being likewise a large Ballance due to the Merchants on Accot. of their Contracts they were call'd in and offer'd Silver which they refus'd at more than fifteen Dollars ℔ ten Pagodas, but which being better than the Market Price was order'd to be deliver'd them and they accepted of five Chests each.

Petition from the Packers of Fort St. David.

A Petition from the Packers at Fort St. David read setting forth that they had been turn'd out of the Warehouse upon Accot. of their refusing to work in Mr. Burton's house which being duely consider'd, as likewise Mr. Burton's representation to the Depty. Govr. & Council, It was AGREED that Mr. Burton had gone too far in dismissing them without the consent & approbation of their Board and they having all but the Depty. Govr. patronis'd him in so doing It is AGREED to check them for it and order the Packers to be reinstated.

A List for the Investment at Fort St. David agreed to.

A List for the Investment for Fort St. David which is read and AGREED to be sent them in the next Letter.

Genll. Lettrs. to Pondicherry and Fort St. David read.

General Letters read

to the Governr. & Council of Pondicherry.
to the Depty. Govr. & Council of Fort St. David.

N. ELWICK.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

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Acco^{r}. of Sundry Stores broke, damag'd and lost by rust this year, Viz^{t}.

	℔ lb.				
Iron Europe	20 — 10	lost by rust 1	℔' C^{t}. @ 1 27	P. 35	5 50
Nails	3 2 1	D°.	1 ℔' C^{t}. @ 4 29 40	16	32 65
Cordage Europe	10 1 14	dry'd	1⅛ ℔' C^{t}. @ 3 15 40	35	32 25
	m^{ds}.				
Salt Petre fine	15	wasted	@ 18 12 ℔'Ca.	13	27 —
	Bus.				
Sea Coales	18	wasted	@ 4 ℔'Cha.	2	— —
	Bar.				
Pitch	1	run out		1	20 20
	m^{ds}.				
Bees Wax	9	Worm eaten	@ 40 ℔'Ca.	18	— —
	qr. lb.				
Bolt Iron	1 14	lost by rust @ 3 12 —	℔' ℔.	1	9 —
Rod Iron	1 21	D°. @ 2 17	℔' D°.	1	2 75

General Stores Viz^{t}.

Bushells 3 broke	3	9 —	
Bengall Paper 16 quire damag'd	—	12 —	
Drum heads 6 rat eaten	1	30 —	
Compass glasses 3 broke	—	10 40	
lb.			
Steel 12 lost by rust	—	18 —	
Pegu Jars 2 broke		8 — —	
Casks 1 Ton rotten		6 — —	
Anvil old Gun lost in the road with a buoy ...		15 — —	
Dubbs 6 worn out in the Powder House ...		9 — —	
			44 7 40

Gunners Stores.

	md. lb.			
Lead lost in Melting Shot	18 8 —	11	16 15	
Ship Carriages 8 broke	... ...	32	— —	
Small Field Carriages 2 broke	... ...	8	— —	
Wooden Mallets 32 D°.	... ...	1	28 —	
Wooden Setters 6 D°.	... ...	—	10 10	
Mortivan Jars 2 D°.	.. ..		8 — —	
Ashen Staves 63 D°.	.. ..	10	29 65	
Tin Cartridges 12 D°.	... ...	1	12 —	
Handspikes 96 D°.	... ...	4	14 32	
Powder Casks 18 D°.	... .		6 — —	
Melting ladles 2 Worn out	... ...	1	16 60	
Shot Nippers 7 D°.	... ...	1	27 8	
Powder Horns 54 Worm eaten	... ...	6	24 25	
				93 34 55
Armory Stores 30 Cartouch boxes worn out	...	...		2 25 40
		Pagod^{s}.	266	17 50

FORT S^{t}. GEORGE 30TH. APRIL 1724.

℔ GEORGE DRAKE
Storekeeper.

TO THE WORSHIPFULL WILLIAM JENNINGS ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^{t}. DAVID.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF FIFTEEN PACKERS SHEWETH

That your Worship's Petitioners serv'd the Honble. Company at Conimeer when they kept their Factory there and when they mov'd to Fort S^{t}. David we came with and have serv'd them ever since which is about forty years. Now on the 15th. of this Ins^{t}. Punniapa gave us notice that we were discharg'd from the Company's Service by M^{r}. Burton's orders, In Govern^{r}. Hastings's time when M^{r}. Berlu was Ware-housek^{r}. he requir'd to attend on him to do what he commanded of us for his own

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business which we acquainted the Govern^r. of who order'd two Peons to take care that we should do no business but that which belong'd to the Honble. Company and when he employ'd any of us in or about his own business he always satisfyd us for the same which when we went about any of the Company's Business to his house he would often do. Now M^r. Burton is Warehousek^r. he requires us to carry Letters or bills for the Company's money which we do, but to look after his Palanqueen or his house we are unwilling to do it for which reason we judge we are turn'd out of the Honble. Company's Service, It is well known that two of us always give our attendance from six in the morning till six at night and then till six in the morning the next day, no one is exempt from it, only one of the Head Packers. We humbly beg that your Worship would be pleas'd to enquire if we have done our duty and be pleas'd to take it into your Serious Consideration and we shall always pray for

Y^r. Worship's Health & Prosperity.

To the Worsp^ll. William Jennings Esq^e.
Dep^ty. Govern^r. &c^a. Council of Fort S^t. David.

Worsp^ll. S^r. & S^rs.

I am to acquaint your Worsh^p. &c^a. that the Packers belonging to the Warehouse left me the 12°. Ins^t. on my going to Chelumbrum and never came again till the 24°. I suppose it was by my often telling them that I would expell them the Wareh°. for not giving their usuall attendance and disobeying my ord^rs. on all occasions which at my coming back I intended to have represented to your Worsh^p. &c^a. their insolence towards me, I have entertain'd others in their room who are more circumspect and altogether as fitting to do the business they are employ'd for and I desire your Worsh^p. &c^a. approbation for I shall never be able to bear insults from Servants who are immediately plac'd under me without forfeiting the esteem that is required to my Station.

I am very much
Worsp^ll. S^r. & S^rs.
Your most obed^t. Hum^ble. Servt.
Augustus Burton.

Fort S^t. David.
27°. April 1724.

To the Hon^rble. Nath^ll. Elwick Esq^e.
Presid^t. & Govern^r. of Fort S^t. George &c^a. Council.

Hon^rble. S^r. & S^rs.

We being dispatch'd so very late in the Season as the middle of last month which believe was on Acco^t. of saving the Honble. Company's Demorage and it being too late to attempt to get about the Cape was obliged to come here to wait a proper time for the Ship's safety which was the opinion of all my Officers.

I believe your Hon^r. &c^a. are Sensible there have been Pirates lately in these Seas which perhaps may now be among some of the Islands which we must have been obliged to winter at which might unfortunately have met with us and which was the reason of our coming here. I am with all Respect

Fort S^t. George
May y^e. 9°. 1724.

Y^e. Hon^rs. &c^as.
most Obedient Hum^ble. Servt.
William Haynes.

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List of Goods to be provided at Fort S[t]. David 1724.

Long Cloth Fine	Pieces 4000	four thousand P[s].
D°. Midling	4000	four thousand.
D°. Nagore	10000	ten thousand.
D°. Carrore	15000	fifteen thousand.
D°. Worriapollam	15000	fifteen thousand.
Long Cloth Ordinary	25000	twenty five thous[d].
Sallempores Midling	6000	six thousand.
D°. Nagore & Carrore	10000	ten thousand.
D°. Worriapollam	20000	twenty thousand
D°. Ordinary	73000	seventy three thous[d].
Betteelas Oringal	500	five hundred.
Dimittys	200	two hundred.

Dispatch'd two General Letters. 13
One to the Governour & Council of Pondicherry.
One to the Dep[ty]. Gov[r]. & Council of Fort S[t]. David.

The Royal George Cap[t]. Robert Washington arriv'd from Surat. 14

Saild the Severn Cap[t]. Henry Cave Command[r]. to Bengall. —
Ship Ganjaver Muckey Mulackamoor to Ganjam.

Arriv'd the Daniel Cap[t]. William Ferquhar from Surat. 15

Sail'd the Brampore Cap[t]. John Carvalho to Bengall by her sent a General Letter to the Presid[t]. & Council there. 16

The Mocha Galley Cap[t]. Joseph Lovell sail'd for Bengall. 17

Arriv'd the Boone Frigat Cap[t]. John Standard Com[r]. from Surat. 19
Brig[t]. Hartford Cap[t]. John West from Carwar.
Ship Salamany Richard Commins from Surat.

Rec[d]. the following General Letters. —
from the Presid[t]. & Council of Bombay.
from the Presid[t]. & Council of Bengall.
from the Cheif & Council of Vizagapatam.
fr. the Dep[ty]. Govern[r]. & Council of Fort S[t]. David.

Ship Grupa Saute Sucra labeck Noquedah sail'd for Ballasore. 20
Caudrasavory Ajee Cunum sail'd for Bengall.

Rec[d]. a General Letter from M[r]. Holcombe at Metchlepatam. —

At a Consultation

Present

Nathan[l]. Elwick Esq[r]. Govern[r]. President. Wednesday the 20th.
Nathan[l]. Turner. Rich[d]. Benyon. Jn°. Emmerson.
Randall Fowke. James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Richard Benyon Import Warehousekeep[r]. pays into Cash twenty thousand two hundred and eight Pag[s]. seven fanams and thirty four Cash for ten Chests of Silver which he deliver'd the Merchants by ord[r]. of last Consultation. Money p[d]. in for Silver sold.

He likewise reports that he cannot sell any Silver for ready money at better than fifteen and a quarter Dollars for ten Pagodas and that he did not care to take that Price without acquainting the Board. Report of Silver not being to be sold for more than 15¼ ready Money.

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The Warekr. is however ordd. to Sell it at ye. rate as there is a necessity.

AGREED that it be sold there being a necessity for supplying the Cash.

Secretary pays into Cash Pags. 84.16.

The Secretary pays into Cash Viz^{t}.

Forty four Pagods. sixteen Fanams for Gabriel Edwards his discharge from the Military.

Forty Pagods. recd. of Ponapa Moodelaire in further part of his debt to the Honble. Company.

Beetle & Tobacco rent for April paid.

Poncala Kisna Tobacco & Beetle Farmer pays into Cash five hundred eighty three Pagods. twelve fans. for last month's rent of that Farm.

Land Custr. pays in Ps. 33-4-47 for the half produce of the Chints seizd at the Choultry.

James Hubbard Land Customer pays into Cash the Sum of thirty three Pagodas Four fanams & forty seven Cash being half the amount of Goods seiz'd at the Choultry and sold by order of Consultation of the 27°. April.

GENERAL LETTERS.

GENERAL LETTERS READ VIZ^{T}.

From Fort St. David.

From the Depty. Governr. & Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated 13°. May 1724 inclosing Invoice and bill of Lading for five hundred and forty Bales of Callicoes on board the Royal George.

From Bengall.

From the President & Council of Fort William advising the arrival of Ship Goodfellow with the Treasure and Goods on board her and giving their reason for sending a mixture of course Goods up from thence by the Europe Ships and inclosing their Accos. Curr^{t}. for the year with our Presidency.

From Vizagapm.

From the Cheif & Council of Vizagapatam dated the 28th. April 1724 to forward the Bengall Pacquet.

From Bombay.

From the Presid^{t} & Council of Bombay dated 10th. April cheifly to advise that they had appointed a Resident for the Company at Bussero.

From Metchlepm.

One from Mr. Holcombe at Metchlepatam dated the 9°. Ins^{t}. advising his having been out of order, that Coja Gee is made a Nabob and desiring an addition of 4 Peons ℔ mo. to be allow'd him.

Mar Kisna's Accots. with Persons being intricate & mix'd with M: Irsapa.

The Accots. which Several Persons have with Mar Kisna being very intricate and mix'd with Moota Irsapa's formerly partner with the said Mar Kisna, It is

Areapa &cs. to State them.

ORDER'D that Areapah &ca. Conicoplys of the Sea Gate do examine and State all Accots. between the sd. Mar Kisna & Moota Irsapa and report the Same to the Board.

Further Complaints of the Armenians behaviour.

The Armenians not taking warning by the late orders given them at the Board but growing more insolent and having since engag'd with one Agostinho Basilio who is a Spaniard and come to this Place where he has offer'd freight at a lower rate than has for many years been customary to the vast Prejudice of the trade and navigation of this Place it was proposed to put a stop to such proceedings, but this being a matter of great moment, after some debate about the methods to be us'd in such a Case, the Board thought fit to defer coming to a resolution thereupon till they had more fully consider'd it.

N. ELWICK.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

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Ship Moylan Capt. Thomas Hill Comm^{r}. arriv'd from Tellicherry. 21

Sail'd the London (bo^{t}. by the French of the Armenians) to Pondicherry. —

Arriv'd Ship Shawallum Capt. Richard Thelwall from Surat. 22

Ship Elizabeth Capt. Heron Hart from Surat.
Ship Tatemony Capt. Ragouse from Surat.
Ship Chester Capt. John Asselin from y^{e}. Malab^{r}. Coast.

Saild Ship Frances Capt. J[ohn] Jones for Bengall. 23
Sloop Prosperous belonging to Capt. Jones for Bengall.
Sloop Caudermunsury Auga Nossen for Bengall.
Ship [P]ateramony Peerjee Noquedah to Porto Novo.
Ship Mera Madut Abdulla Cauder to S^{t}. Thoma.

At a Consultation

Present

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Govern^{r}. Presid^{t}. Tuesday the 26th.
Nathl. Turner. Rich^{d}. Benyon. Jno. Emmerson.
Randal Fowke. James Hubbard. George Drake.

Joseph Houghton.

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Mintmaster reads that Acco^{t}. for last month Ballance due from him seventy three Pagodas, seventeen fanams and fifty Cash which he pays into Consultation and seven hundred twenty three rupees two annaes which are deliver'd the Warehousekeeper. Mint Acco^{t}. for April read.

Richard Benyon Export Warek^{r}. reads that Acco^{t}. for last month Ballance due to him seven hundred and three Pagod^{s}. four fanams and twenty nine Cash of which he is now paid seven hundred Pagodas. Expt. Warekrs. Accot. for April read.

Richard Benyon Import Warek^{r}. reads that Acco^{t}. for last month Ballance due from him one thousand three hundred seventy seven Pagodas one fanam & fifty seven Cash of which he now pays in seven hundred Pagodas. Impt. Warekrs. Accot. for April read.

John Emmerson Sea Customer reads that Acco^{t}. for last month Viz^{t}. Sea Custrs. Accot. for April read.

Custom on Goods exported & imported	2515	11	56
D^{o}. on Grain	249	2	64
Anchorage	61	18	—
	P. 2825	32	40

Ballance due from him twelve thousand six hundred ninety two Pagodas eight Fanams and eighteen Cash of which he now pays four thousand Pagodas.

Randall Fowke Paymaster his Acco^{t}. for last m^{o}. read, Viz^{t}. Payrs. Accot. for April read.

Charges Garrison	P. 1896	33	30
Charges General	680	30	5
Garden House Barracks	65	3	60
Godowns by the half Moon Bat^{y}.	41	—	40
Bombay Presidency	40	—	—
Charges Cattle...	114	17	50
Repairs of Fortification	100	11	60
Charges extraordinary	74	6	—
Charges diet	583	12	—
Marlbrô Fort	1	—	—
	P. 3597	7	5

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Ballance due to him three thousand & fitfy eight Pagod^{s}. one fanam and seventy Cash which is now paid him.

Extra Expence ex^{d}.

The extraordinary Expence in the Paymasters Acco^{t}. for the month of April is as follows, Viz^{t}.

CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY.			
Prisoners 13, diet as p Marsh^{ls}. note	12 6 —		
Diet to 4 West Coast Coffrys	6 — —		
Gave a Soldier on the Christning of his Child ...	1 — —		
Cleaning 2 of the Washermen's Tanks	55 — —		
		74	6 —
GARDEN HOUSE BARRACKS.			
Workmen and Materials		65	3 60
GODOWNS BY THE HALF MOON BATTERY.			
Workmen and Materials		41	— 40
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY.			
Allowance money to the Widows Cowse's Child^{n}. ...	15 — —		
D^{o}. to M^{rs}. Burton and her Children...	25 — —		
		40	— —
MARLBRO FORT.			
Paid Zacheas Bradley Corporal there his wife ...		1	— —
	PAGOD^{s}.	221	10 20

Storek^{rs}. Acco^{t}. for April read.

George Drake Storek^{r}. reads that Acco^{t}. for last m^{o}. Ballance due from him one thousand one hundred & seven Pagodas twenty eight Fanams of which he now pays seven hundred Pagodas.

Money p^{d}. in for Silver sold.

Richard Benyon Imp^{t}. Warek^{r}. pays into Cash twenty eight thousand four hundred ninety two Pagod^{s}. two fanams and thirty Cash being produce of eleven Chests of Silver which is all he has hitherto been able to dispose off for ready money.

The Cash wanting a further supply

The Demand for Cash not being sufficiently supplyd by the Sale of Silver already agreed, it is

ten Chests of Silver to be sold.

ORDER'D that the Warehousek^{r}. do sell ten Chests more to supply our running expences, money due on our Contract and to make good the large demands from Fort S^{t}. David and other necessary disbursements.

The Debate concerng. the Armenians and the Manilha Freight resum'd.

The Board then resum'd the debate concerning the Armenians and the Manilla freight which was deferr'd the last Consultation day and it was AGREED by the whole Board that if some measures were not taken to prevent it the trade of this Place would be entirely lost to the English and given to foreigners, But as the Company have given great immunitys to that Set of Men it was urg'd that we could not without infringing those Priviledges prevent their trading on the best terms they could to which it was reply'd that the Contract mention'd was an obsolete one and that even at that time it was made the Company complain'd that the Circumstances of the times oblig'd them to grant greater immunitys than they would otherwise have done and that probably when those Circumstances should be alter'd they might make some alterations therein by which it appear'd the Comp^{s}. themselves did not thoroughly approve of the granting such Priviledges. It was added upon this Side that the Armenians had long ago forfeited the Priviledges granted them by carrying on their trade to and from Europe on the Danes Ships and now more recently by contracting with the French and Spaniards directly contrary to the Conditions on which these Concessions were made them, It was further added on the same Side that the Company do covenant and agree with their Servants and the Free Merchants whom they permit to reside in India that they shall have all manner of freedom in their trade but that if ever they think fit to order any of their own Ships to freight voyages they do expect to be first Serv'd and our ships after them from whence it is reasonable to suppose, if they will insist upon the first Place themselves we ought to

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be and are allow'd the Second or other wise we should be on a much worse foundation than any Set of Men in India and oblig'd to leave off all trading, being undertraded by the Natives on the one hand and oblig'd to prefer the Company's Ships on the other.

Upon the whole of the debate which was continued for a Considerable time it was unanimously

AGREED & ORDER'D that the Inhabitants of Madrass shall not be allow'd to freight to Manilha any Goods or money belonging to this Place on any foreign Ship before the English Ship is laden. The English Ship to be laden before the Inhabit^ts. shall have liberty to freight on any foreign.

The owners of the Royal George having made an offer of carrying down to Bengall the Company's Tutenaigue freight free the Warehousekeeper is ORDER'D to send it off. The tutenaigue to be sent to the Bay on the Royal George

The old Choultry Dubash being worn out with age and sickness which has render'd him incapable of performing the dutys of his Place Kitty Narrapa (Commonly call'd Young Narran) is appointed to succeed him. Narran appointed Choultry Dubash.

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GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

Ship Mary Sheik Muctoon Noquedah sail'd for Bengall. 28.

The Petit S^t. Lewis Monsr. Rine Rozet arriv'd from Goa. 29.

Ship Southgate Capt. James Hurdis arriv'd from Surat. 30.

Rec^d. a General Letter from the Cheif & Council of Vizag^m. —

Rec^d. a General Letter from the Dep^y. Govern^r. & Council of Fort S^t. David and one from M^r. Blunt at Ingeram. 31.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

NATHAN^LL. ELWICK ESQ^R. GOVERN^R. PRESIDENT.
NATHAN^LL. TURNER. RICH^D. BENYON. JN^O. EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

TUESDAY JUNE 2^d.

Permal Diamond Broker having in pursuance of the order of Consultation of the 30th. March paid the Secretary forty three Pagodas his bond was demanded of Mar Kisna and upon delivery it was found to be payable to M^r. Wendey who was therefore sent for & ask'd if he knew anything of the said bond to which he reply'd in the Negative and the bond was thereupon deliverd up to Permal. Permaul complys wth. the ord^r. of Consultation & his bond is deliv^d. up.

The Paymaster requesting one thousand Pag^s. to defray charges Garrison ORDER'D that it be advanc'd him. 1000 F^s. adv^d y^e. Pay^r.

The Attorney for the Jesuits in China requests payment of their annuity due the 31st. Ult^o. as likewise three months due on the last two thousand receiv'd of them which is ORDER'D to be paid him. The Jesuits annuity to be p^d. them.

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Cash Acco^{t}. for May read.

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Presid^{t}. reads the Acco^{t}. of the Honble. Company's Cash for last month Ball^{ce}. remaining twenty thousand one hundred ninety one Pagodas, thirty one fanams and five Cash.

General Lett^{rs}.

General Letters read Viz^{t}.

From Vizagapatam.

From the Cheif & Council of Vizagapatam dated the 8th. May advising some occurrences in the Country & disputes among their Nabobs upon Acco^{t}. of Codjee Gee being appointed Nabob of Chiccacull.

From Ingeram.

From M^{r}. Blunt at Ingeram dated the 12°. Ult^{o}. advising his proceedings about the Washers &c^{a}. and his forwardness in the Investment. He likewise incloses his Acco^{ts}. to the last of April.

From Fort S^{t}. David.

From the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated the 29°. May wherein they advise their having agreed the Contract with the several Sets of Merchants M^{r}. Formon's arrival and the Packers being readmitted to their employs in the Warehouse as likewise that they had drawn two bills on us payable to their Merchants for three thous^{d}. Pagodas each Set, they also inclose their Paymaster's Acco^{ts}. Consultations Cash and Merchants Acco^{ts}.

The Armenians call'd in and order'd to conform themselves to the ord^{r}. relating to y^{e}. Manilha Ship.

The Heads of the Armenians attending the Board they were call'd in and told the resolutions taken last Consultation about the Manilha Ship and Order'd to conform themselves thereto.

N. Elwick.
Nathl. Turner.
Rich^{d}. Benyon.
John. Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

2. dispatch'd a General Letter to the Govr. & Council of Pondicherry.
— Dispatch'd a General Lett^{r}. to the Dep^{ty}. Govr. & Council of Fort S^{t}. David.
— Ship Shawallum Capt. Richard Thelwall Comm^{r}. sail'd for Bengall.
4. Sail'd the Boone Frigat Capt. John Standard Comm^{r}. for Canton.
— Arriv'd the S^{t}. Francis Xavier Monsr. Gaudron from Pondicherry.
5. Rec^{d}. a General Lett^{r}. from the Dep^{ty}. Govr. & Council of Fort S^{t}. D^{d}.
7. Arriv'd the Mary Gertrude Monsr. De La Rivitiere fro Pondicherry.
— Saild the Devonshire Capt. William Montgomery for Siam.

At a Consultation

Present

Monday the 8th.

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Govern^{r}. President.
Nathaniel Turner. Rich^{d}. Benyon. Jno. Emmerson.
Randall Fowke. James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

General Lett^{r}. from Fort S^{t}. David.

General Letter from Fort S^{t}. David dated the 3^{d}. Ins^{t}. read, inclosing their Acco^{t}. Cash and Merchants Accounts.

10,000 Ps. to be sent thither & Permission to be given for drawg. on this place for the paym^{t}. of their Merch^{ts}.

There being a large ballance due to the Merch^{ts}. and but a small matter in their Cash, Agreed to send them ten thousand Pagodas overland And to let them draw on us for the ballance of their Acco^{ts}. with the Merchants.

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2,000 Pag^{s}. to be sent M^{r}. Blunt.

M^{r}. Blunt having requested two thousand Pagodas to compleat part of his Investment which he proposes to send up thither in Augst. and there being a Vessell in the Road bound that way, AGREED that it be sent him.

M^{r}. Symonds's attorneys offering to give bills of Exchange on him for one thousand Pagodas payable to Robert Symonds &c^{a}. Council at Vizagapatam, agreeable to a request of his it was likewise agreed to receive them & the money was accordingly paid.

M^{r}. Symonds's attor^{ys}. offering a bill of Exch^{e}. for 1000 P^{s}. it is accepted.

Arrack rent for May paid in.

Henry Crawford Farmer of the Arrack and Wine license pays into Cash three hundred thirty five Pagodas for last month's rent of that Farm due the 5°. Ins^{t}.

Persons appointed to take a survey of the Armenian Bridge.

The Bridge at the Armenian Gate being so decay'd that it is scarce passable and which if not repair'd will soon fall quite down the Paymaster with M^{r}. Hubbard and the Surveyor of the Buildings are order'd to examine it and make their report next Consultation day.

Money p^{d}. in for Silver sold.

Richard Benyon Import Warek^{r}. pays into Cash thirty eight thousand seven hundred eighty six Pagodas thirty fanams and seventy Cash produce of Silver sold at pags. at 15¼ ℔ 10 for ready money Viz^{t}.

		lb	oz.	dw^{t}.	gr^{s}.
Mexico 9 Chests weight	... ...	2621	6	5	..
W. 2 dw^{t}.	... ...	23	7	8	3
		2597	10	16	21
Pillar 4	... ...	1162	8	—	—
French Crowns 2	... ...	581	4	—	—
15 Chests Pz.		lb. 4341	10	16	21 @
		15¼ ℔ 10 P^{s}.			

James Hubbard Land Customer reads that Acco^{t}. for last month Viz^{t}.

Choultry Customs	P. 373	3 74
Ruby Brokerage	64	27 67
Registring Slaves	—	8 —
	P^{s}. 438	3 61

Ballance due from him four hundred and eighteen Pagodas, four Fanams and sixty one Cash.

N. ELWICK.
NATH^{L}. TURNER.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

9. Sail'd the Daniel Capt. John Ferquhar Comm^{r}. for Tonqueen.
the Mary Gertrude Monsr. De La Rivitiere for Bengall.

— Dispatch'd two General Letters.
one to the President and Council of Bombay.
one to the Cheif and Factors at Tellicherry.

— Dispatch'd a lett^{r}. from the Secretary to the Dep^{ty}. Govern^{r}. & Council of Fort S^{t}. David.

— Dispatch'd a Gen^{ll}. Lett^{r}. to the Dep^{ty}. Govern^{r}. & Council of F^{t}. S^{t}. D^{d}.

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AT A CONSULTATION—*at the Request of Mr. Drake*—

Present

THURSDAY THE 11TH.

NATHANIEL ELWICK ESQR. GOVERNR. PRESIDENT.
NATHANL. TURNER. RICH. BENYON. JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD. GEOEGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

Mr. Drake presents a Paper to ye. Board, complaining of Capt. Hill for some ill usage.

Mr. Drake presented a Paper to the Board which being read was found to contain a complaint of some indecent Language and gross abuses offer'd him by Capt. Thos. Hill for which he desir'd the Board would oblige the said Capt. Hill to make him such an acknowledgment as they should think just.

Capt. Hill call'd in and Mr. Drake's paper read.

Capt. Hill being call'd in the Paper was again read to which he made answer that some Part of what was there charg'd upon him was false and some he acknowledg'd to be true, that he had affronted Mr. Drake which he did in return for some ill treatment which he had recd. from Mr. Drake.

The ill treatment Mr. Hill complains of.

The ill treatment complain'd of by Capt. Hill appear'd to be Mr. Drake having sent to the Main Guard a Mustees that belong'd to the Capt. and had beat one of his Servants without acquainting Mr. Hill of it which he took to be a design to insult him and which he said was the reason of his treating Mr. Drake as he had done.

The affair argued with him.

He is told the Board insist upon his makg. an acknowledgment for his ill treatmt. of Mr. Drake—wch. he refuses.

Capt. Hill was then told by the Board that Mr. Drake did no more in confining the Young fellow than what every Man had a right to do and that as he was quarrelling and committing a riot in the Street he was justly confin'd, that indeed Mr. Drake might have advis'd him of it but that an omission of Civility could not be term'd an affront and that therefore he had no reason for the ill usage Mr. Drake received from him and that they expected he should make an acknowledgement for the Same which he absolutely refus'd. After some little debate he was again call'd in and told that the Board did and must insist upon his making an acknowledgment for the ill treatment he had offer'd Mr. Drake which he again refus'd unless Mr. Drake would declare he had no design to affront him in confiuing the Young fellow, and again withdrew.

The Case further argued with him. The Board continue in their Resolution of havg. an acknowledgment from him and

Capt. Hill being again call'd in was told from the Board that Mr. Drake in confining this Young Fellow had no other design than to keep the peace and prevent any mischief from his quarrelling and to gain reparation to his Servant who had been beat by him. That he was not affronted by Mr. Drake and that therefore they did insist upon his making an acknowledgment.

He at last complys.

After a good while refusing to make any, the Capt. at last comply'd and told the Board that if Mr. Drake had no design to affront him he was sorry he had us'd any indecent language to Mr. Drake.

The affair referr'd [to ye. Honble. Masters].

The Board thought fit to accept this acknowledgmt. from Mr. Hill and thô it was not adequate to the affront, did not care to proceed any further because there was a ship in the Road under dispatches for China whereof Mr. Hill was both Capt. and Supra Cargo, and which waited then only for his going off to proceed on her Voyage,

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whereupon M^{r}. Drake desir'd this affair might be at large on the Consultations to be referr'd to our Honble. Masters for their opinion of the Same.

N. Elwick.
Nath^{ll}. Turner.
Rich^{d}. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

To the Honble. Nathaniel Elwick Esqr.
Presid^{t}. & Govern^{r}. of Fort S^{t}. George &c^{a}. Council.

Honble. S^{rs}. &c^{a}.

I am to acquaint you that on Tuesday night last about ten of the Clock one [*lacuna*] a Musteez belonging to Ship Moylin did in the open street assault and most barbarously beat one of my Servants, as soon as I was inform'd of the same I sent a civil Message to him by my Dubash and only desir'd to be acquainted with his reasons but instead of having the least reply from him he return'd to me my Dubash, very much beaten and had the insolence to follow him with blows to my very door, I then could do no other than send for the Guard who accordingly came and secur'd him for the Rem^{r}. of the night, this no sooner was done but Capt. Hill Command^{r}. of the Ship this young offender belongs to, came to my house and in a most indecent manner address'd himself to me telling me I had forfeited all good Manners and had sent a better Gentleman than my self on the Guard and that my Councillourship was my only Protection for so doing and only on that Presumption I had dar'd to do it and it was well for me I had such a protection to sckreen me from his immediate resentment. In short Capt. Hill's language and manners throughout were very foul and rude and such as I believe your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. upon examination will find ought neither to be given or taken especially as I had only done my duty & taken no more Priviledge than the meanest of your Inhabitants may to quell a riot in the properest manner I could. I should have been very glad if Capt. Hill would have recollected himself the next morning that I might not have given your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. this trouble but as he persists and will make me no acknowledgment I am strictly oblig'd to make this application and do believe you'll find I merited better usage than Capt. Hill was pleas'd to bestow on me but this I refer to your determination and am with the greatest Respect

Fort S^{t}. George
June y^{e}. 11°. 1724.

Honble. S^{rs}. &c^{a}.
Y^{r} most Obed^{t}. Hum^{ble}. Servant.
George Drake.

Ship Southgate Capt. James Hurdis Command^{r}. sail'd for Bengall. 10

Sail'd Ship S^{t}. Anthony Senhor De Villas boas for Macao. 11

The S^{t}. Francis Xavier Monsr. Gaudron for Bengall.

Sail'd the Royal George Capt. Robert Washington for Bengall by which Ship was forwarded a Letter to the Presid^{t}. & Council. 12

The Morning Star Capt. Charles Gray for Canton.

The Moylan Capt. Thomas Hill for Canton.

The Hannover Sheik Weberam Noquedah saild for Covilon. 13

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At a Consultation

Present

Monday the 15°. Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Govern^r^. President.
Nathan^ll^. Turner. Rich^d^. Benyon. Jn°. Emmerson.
Randall Fowke. James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Rep^t^. of the Armenian Bridge deliver'd in.

Messrs. Fokwe, Hubbard and Way deliver in their report of the charge of repairing the Armenian Bridge as enter'd after this Consultation which being absolutely necessary the Paymaster is order'd to set about it.

Tobacco & Beetle rent for May paid.

Poncala Kisna Tobacco Farmer pays into Cash five hundred eighty three Pagodas, twelve fanams for last month's rent of that farm ending the 5°. Instant.

Petition of Capt. Sleddall d^d^. in

A Petition deliver'd in by Capt. John Sleddall relating to a dispute between himself and Capt. John Asselin in the Mayors Court, read desiring a rehearing of his Case before this Board.

which so soon as read the Secry. acquaints the Board that this affair was not determin'd in the May^rs^. Court as the Reg^r^. had inform'd him.

So soon as this Petition was read the Secretary acquainted the Board that upon sending to the Register of the Mayors Court (as usual in appeals from thence) for the Proceedings of Court in that Case; he had in answer a Note from the Register acquainting Him that the May^rs^. Court was not come to any decision of the affair and therefore an appeal could not properly lie from thence which he read and it was orderd to be enter'd after the Petition.

The Petition rejected on the above acco^t^.

Capt. Sleddall was then call'd in and told that the Mayor's Court not having given any Judgment as yet relating to the affair in debate the Board would not take it out of their hands and that he must pursue it there.

N. Elwick.
Nath^ll^. Turner.
Rich^d^. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Charges Repairing the Armenian Bridge.

Wall Bricks	Ps. 15 — —		
Chinam	14 — —		
Bricklayers & Cooleys	25 — —		
Jaggery and Carracoy	5 — —		
Sand and Clay	7 — —		
		Pag^s^.	66 — —
Prone Plank 15	60 — —		
Nails 200 W^t^.	9 — —		
Carpenter's work	8 — —		
			77 — —
		Pag^s^.	143 — —
If Company's Timbers 16 @ 5½ ...	88 — —		
for sawing them	2 — —		
		Ps.	90 — —

Thomas Way.

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To the Honble. Nathan^ll^. Elwick Esqr.
Presid^t^. & Govr. &c^a^. Council of Fort S^t^. George.

The Petition of John Sleddall

Humbly Sheweth

That he having lately in the May^rs^. Court a tryal with Capt. John Asselin relating to a Contract made between your Petitioner and the said Asselin where the Worsp^ll^. the Mayor and Aldermen gave an order to your Petitioner to bring in an Acco^t^. of the damages by him sustain'd upon the said Asselins breaking the said Contract which he accordingly did and the Court thought fit to reject, from which judgment of the said Court Yo^r^. Petitioner thinks he has reason to dissent and therefore,

Yo^r^. Petitioner humbly prays your Hon^r^. &c^a^. will please to grant him a rehearing of his Cause before this Honble. Board &

as in duty bound
Y^r^. Petitioner
Shall ever pray &c^a^.

M^r^. Torriano.
S^r^.

Since you inform'd me that Capt. Sleddall had appeal'd from the Proceedings of the Mayor's Court I have acquainted the Mayor therewith and I am order'd to acquaint you that the Cause between Capt. Sleddall & Capt. Asseline is not yet determin'd in the Mayor's Court and therefore an appeal can not properly lye. I am

Town Hall
Y^r^. 15°. June 1724.

S^r^.
Y^r^. very humble Servant
Richards Higginson
Regr.

The Frances Capt. Thomas Newsham Commander arriv'd from Great Brittain by her receivd a Pacquet from the Honble Court of Directors. 17

At a Consultation

Present

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Govern^r^. President.
Nathaniel Turner. Rich^d^. Benyon. Jno. Emmerson.
Randall Fowke. James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Wednesday the 17°.

The Frances arriving this evening the Council met and read the General Letter from the Honble. Court of Directors by her as likewise copy of that ℔ Swallowfield and one from the Madeiras after wch. it being late, adjourn'd till too morrow morning.

Gen^ll^. Lett^rs^. from Europe ℔ Frances read.

N. Elwick.
Nath^ll^. Turner.
Rich^d^. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

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At a Consultation

Present

Thursday the 18th. Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Govern^r. President.
Nathan^ll. Turner. Rich^d. Benyon. Jno. Emmerson.
Randall Fowke. James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

orders for delivery of the Wine & 30 Chests of silver from aboard the Frances.

Sign'd an order to the Command^r. of the Frances for the delivery of twenty Pipes of Madeira consign'd us by Messrs. Hayward and Rider and for thirty Chests of his Silver which we shall coin in complyance with the desire of the Presid^t. and Council of Bengall.

Persons appointed to examine ye. silver.

Order'd that the Warehousek^r. with Messrs. Emmerson and Hubbard do attend with the Capt. to see the Treasure opened that comes ashore.

2 Soldiers discharg'd.

Thomas Pelling and John Stubs both in the Military having serv'd a great while longer than the 5 years limited and desiring their discharge it is Agreed that they be discharg'd from thence.

Bales for Bengall to be laden on the Frances.

Agreed that so soon as the Frances is ready the Wareh^r. load what bales she can take in, in order to comply with the directions from our Honble. Masters receiv'd last year about a partition of Coast & Bay Goods in the returning Ships.

500 bales to be put abd. the Elizabeth on terms Agreed wth. her owners.

There being a necessity of sending down at least twelve hundred bales for the Bay and two hundred Tons of redwood which the Gentlemen of Bengall demand and it being hardly possible that the Europe Ships design'd thither will be able to take in all that quantity it was propos'd to lade five hundred bales on board the Elizabeth which Ship is now ready to sail but as it was not impossible but the others might take the whole it was Agreed that if the owners of the Elizabeth would take those Goods upon Condition to be paid freight if the Company's Ships could not take it all and nothing if they could they should be put on board to which terms the Owners agreed.

Order'd therefore that the Warehousekeeper do lade them as soon as possible.

Mr. Jennings being [dismiss'd] & Mr. Macrae [not ber. arr^d.] the settling [of the Govern^r.] at Fort St. [David Consider'd.]

Our Honble. Masters having in express terms order'd the dismission of M^r. Jennings on the receipt of this Letter and M^r. Macrae not being yet arriv'd who is by them appointed to the Dep^ty. Govern^r. ship of Fort S^t. David it was consider'd what method must be taken and after some time spent in debating what was properest at this Juncture, It was Agreed

Mr. Jennings to resign to Mr. Burton till M^r. Higginson can get thither.

To order M^r. Jennings immediately to deliver up to M^r. Burton the Government and all under his charge till M^r. Higginson can get thither who is appointed Second of that Place.

Mr. Higginson to set out as soon as possible for Fort St. D^d. and to take upon him y^e. Care of that Place till a D.G. is sent.

That M^r. Higginson do with y^e. utmost expedition set out for Fort S^t. David and on his arrival take the care of that Settlement upon him till a Deputy Govr. should go down thither.

Mr. Turner to get ready by the 15th. of July.

That M^r. Turner do get ready to go down thither Deputy Govr. by the 15°. of next month that being the latest time we can judge reasonable to wait for the arrival of M^r. Macrae from the West Coast.

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Mr. Abraham Wessell appointed Register of the Town Hall.

Mr. Higginson going to Fort St. David occasioning a vacancy in the Town Hall and Mr. Abraham Wessell having been three years Sub Accompt. in which Station he has behav'd himself to satisfaction the orders of the Company relating to the Persons in that employ were comply'd with and he appointed Register of the Mayors Court.

Mr. Woolley Sub Accompt. [&] Mr. Hyde Steward.

Mr. Robert Woolley order'd to take ye. Charge of the Accomptts. office in the room of Mr. Wessell and Mr. Samuel Hyde to be Steward of the Factory.

N. Elwick.
Nathll. Turner.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Recd. a General Lettr. from the Deputy. Govr. & Council of Fort St. David.	19
Dispatch'd a General Letter to Mr. Augustus Burton appointed Provisional Cheif &ca. Council of Fort St. David directing him to receive the Government from William Jennings Esqr.	19
Ship Ballarama Girkane Pauloo sail'd for Ganjam.	19
Brigant. Neptune Capt. John Upton sail'd for Pegue.	—
Ketch Fautherdulot Cambeersundo arriv'd from Nagure.	20
Brigt. Annapore Hussen Noquedah arrd. from ye. Mal: Coast.	21
Brigt. Fauthermore Sheik Rustoon arrd. from St. Thome.	22
The Monmouth Capt. Reginald Kemeys Commandr. arriv'd from Great Brittain by her recd. a Paequet from the Honble. Court of Directors.	23
Recd. a Genll. Lettr. from the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David.	—

At a Consultation

Present

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Governr. President.
Nathaniel Turner. Richd. Benyon. Jno. Emmerson.
Randall Fowke. James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Tuesday the 23d.

Genll. Lettr. p Monmo. read and

General Letter from the Court of Directors by the Monmouth being the same as that by the Frances read, likewise

from the Madeiras.

One from the Madeiras inclosing Invoice and bill of Lading for fifty Pipes of Madeira Wine aboard the Monmouth and Duplicate for the twenty aboard the Frances.

orders sign'd for the delivery of the Treasure Men and Goods.

Sign'd an order to the Commander for sending ashore the Men, Treasure and Goods on board for the use of this Presidency.

Persons appointed to Examine the Silver

Order'd that when the Silver comes on [Shore] the Warehousekr. with Messrs. Emmerson and Hubbard do examine the same before the Commandr. or Purser of the Ship and report it to us.

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and others to survey the stowage of the Wine.

ORDER'D that Messrs. Stephen Gibbon and Roger Laye who have been formerly in the Wine Trade do go aboard the Monmouth and with the Company's Cooper survey the Stowage of the Madeira Wine and report the same.

N. ELWICK.
NATH^LL. TURNER.
RICH^D. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

24 Ship Catherine Capt. William Hurst arr^d. from y^e. Mal: Coast.

— Brig^t. Blessing Thomas Morfiew arriv'd from Ditto.

25 Sloop Tartar Christian Willibоorts arriv'd from y^e. Maldives.

— Rec^d. the following General Letters
1 from Bengall & 1 Vizagap^m.
1 from Pondicherry & 1 F^t. S^t. D^t.
1 from Tellicherry.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRIDAY THE 26th.

NATHANIEL ELWICK ESQ^R. GOVERN^R. PRESIDENT.
NATHAN^LL. TURNER. RICHARD BENYON. [*Lacuna*].
RANDALL FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE.

MESS^RS. EMMERSON & HOUGHTON *gone to meet* M^R. JENNINGS.

Sea Customer's Acco^t. for May read.

Randal Fowke Receiver for John Emmerson Sea Customer reads the Sea Customer's Acco^t. for the Month of May.

Custom of Goods exported & imported ...	P.	3946	6	46
D^o. of Grain		111	5	68
Anchorage		60	—	—
				Pa. 4117 12 34

Ballance due from him twelve thousand seven hundred seventy seven Pagodas, thirty three Fanams and fifty two Cash of which he pays in four thousand Pagodas.

Paymastr^s. Acco^t. for May read.

Randal Fowke Paymaster reads that Acco^t. for last month Viz^t.

Charges Garrison	P.	1912	5	60
D^o. General		580	14	5
Godowns by the half Moon Battery ...		234	2	35
Garden House Barracks		102	35	50
Charges Extraordinary		19	16	15
Charges Cattle		116	21	70
Repairs of Fortifications		64	10	70
Bombay Presidency		40	—	—
Charges diet		583	12	—
Marlbro' Fort ...		1	—	—
				Pa. 3654 10 65

Ballance due to him Pagodas one hundred fifty four, ten fanams and sixty five Cash which is now paid him.

Extra Exp. examin'd.

The extraordinary Expence being examin'd it was found to arise from, Viz^t.

GODOWNS BY THE HALF MOON BATTERY				
Materials & Workmen	Pa.	234	2	35
GARDEN HOUSE BARRACKS				
Materials & Workmen		102	35	50

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CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY							
Diet to 12 Prisoners			11	7	15		
Diet to 4 West Coast Coffrees			6	—	—		
Cloathing for D°.			2	9	—		
						19	16 15
MARLBRO. FORT							
P^d^. Zacheas Bradley Corporal there his Wife ...						1	— —
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY							
allowance money to the Dec^d^. Widow Cowse's Children ...			15	—	—		
D°. to M^rs^. Burton & her Children			25	—	—		
						40	— —
					PAG^s^.	397	18 20

George Drake Storekeep^r^. reads that Acco^t^. for last month Ballance due from him eight hundred and eighty eight Pagodas, twenty five fanams and forty Cash of which he now pays in six hundred.

Storek^rs^. Acco^t^. for May read.

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Mintmaster reads that Acco^t^. for last month Ballance due from him ninety eight Pagodas, twelve fanams and thirty Cash which is paid into Cash and Rupees 2933 : 8 : — which are paid the Warehousekeeper.

Mint Acco^t^. for May read.

Richard Benyon Export Warehousek^r^. reads that Acco^t^. for last month Ballance due to him six hundred fifty seven Pagodas twenty seven Fanams & seventy six Cash.

Export Warek^rs^ acco^t^. for May read.

Richard Benyon Import Warehousek^r^. reads that Acco^t^. for last month Ballance due from him one thousand five hundred twenty five Pagodas fourteen Fanams and thirty three Cash.

Import Warek^rs^. acc^t^. for May read.

James Hubbard Land Customer pays into Cash four hundred eighteen Pagodas four Fanams and sixty one Cash Ballance of his last month's Acco^t^.

Land Cust^rs^. May Ballance paid in.

Messrs. Benyon, Emmerson and Hubbard deliver in their report of the twenty Chests of Silver taken out of the Frances which is enter'd after this Consultation.

report of the Silver ℔ Frances.

Joseph Houghton Rentall General & Scavinger pays into Cash the following Sums, Viz^t^.

Acco^t^. Quit rent	315	19	—	
One year's rent of Maria Pois's Garden due the 23^d^. March last	40	—	—	
Three month's Butteca rent & shroff duty.	77	18	—	
			PAG^s^. 433	1 —

Rentall Gen^ll^. & Scav^r^. pays in P^s^. 433 : 1.

Messrs. Jeremiah Collins &c^a^. Owners of Ship Petersfield deliver in a petition to the Board which is read and order'd to be enter'd after this Consultation setting forth that they had a Ship and cargo ready design'd for the West Coast of Sumatra there to purchase a Cargo of Benjamin, Camphyre, gold &c^a^. but that the Company having forbidden any trade to the West Coast in general terms they cannot proceed without liberty from the Board and engaging in case they obtain leave not to go to any of the Company's Settlements on that Coast.

Petition of J. Collins &c^a^. read, on Acco^t^. of the late order read. from the Co^y^. for the Prohibition of Trade to the West Coast.

Upon reading this Petition the Paragraph of the General Letter ℔ Monmouth relating thereto was read and after duely considering the whole of it, The whole Board unanimously AGREED that the Honble. Company in that order could have no other view but to prevent any trade being carry'd on to their Settlements and therefore that no other Part of the Sumatra Coast was comprehended in that order.

The Co^s^. Settlements agreed by the Board to be only comprehended in that order.

Capt. John Sleddall and Nella Canty Ragana both deliver in Petitions of Appeal from Judgments given against them in the Mayors Court which are read and the consideration of them deferr'd it being late. But Capt. Sleddall being to go a Voyage in a few days it is Agreed to meet in the afternoon to examine his affair.

Petitions of Appeal of Capt. Sleddall and Nella Canty Ragana read & the consideration defer'd.

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Persons appointed to the oversight of the Packing the Co^s. bales, to prevent any future complaints of rotten Cloth being put in them.

There being mention made in the general Letter of Rotten Cloth in the middle of some of the Bales which must proceed from the roguery of the Servants in the Godowns AGREED that Messrs. Davis, Empson, Dalzell and Barrington do attend at the Godowns on Sorting days to see the Cloth approv'd by the Sorters be not afterwards chang'd and that they do sign to every bale's being pack't in their Presence.

General Letters from Vizagap^m.

General Letters read Viz^t.

One from Vizagapatam dated the 1st. Inst. giving an Acco^t. of the progress they have made in their Investm^t. and some Particulars of the Country Government.

from Bengall.

One from the Presid^t. & Council of Bengall dated 2^d. May wherein they advise they shall be able to load three Ships for Europe, inclose their Acco^t. Curr^t. with this Presidency, desire the Ships may be early dispatch'd to them and repeat their former demand for redwood.

from Fort St. David

Three from Fort S^t. David Viz^t.

of the 17th.

One dated the 17°. Inst. to advise the receipt of the 10,000 Pagod^s. last sent them, that they have compleated their Contract and hope it will prove satisfactory, they likewise advise the death of one of their Ensigns and their Surgeon.

of the 19th.

One of the 19°. to advise their drafts on us for five thousand Pagodas to Eram Rauze and five thousand Pagodas to Sadashavarrow's Partners.

and 24th. Inst.

One of the 24°. advising M^r. Jennings having deliver'd up the government to M^r. Burton pursuant to our order of the 19°. Instant, with the Company's Cash &c^a. remaining in his hands.

from Pondicherry

Read likewise a general from the Govr. & Council of Pondicherry dated the 29°. of this month New stile endeavouring to excuse the treatment we complain'd had been offer'd to our Ships on the other Side.

& from Tellicherry.

And one from Messrs. Adams & Council of Tellicherry dated the 27°. Ult°. relating to the same affair complaining of fresh insults from the French.

N. ELWICK.
NATH^LL. TURNER.
RICH^D. BENYON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

TO THE HON^BLE. NATH^LL. ELWICK ESQ^R.
PRESID^T. & GOVERN^R. &C^A. COUNCIL OF FORT S^T. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF JEREMIAH COLLINS &C^A.
OWNERS OF SHIP PETERSFIELD

HUMBLY SHEWETH

That your Petitioners being acquainted that the Honble. Court of Directors have given orders by Ship Frances that no ship shall be allow'd Liberty of trade to the West Coast, we beg leave to acquaint your Hon^r. &c^a. that before the said order came we had bought a ship and provided a proper Cargo for the Coast of Sumatra without any intention to dispose thereof at any of the Comp^ss. Settlements but amongst the Malays for Benjamin, Camphyre and Gold where no Europeans are setled and this being our full intentions without any design of selling a piece of Goods at any English Settlement we presume the Company's orders do not reach to the prejudice of our intended voyage and therefore pray your Hon^r. &c^as. leave to proceed thereon which if impeded will greatly detriment us in general and the Hon^bls. Company in particular by the loss they will sustain of the Customs we should pay on the returning Cargo as we have done this last year. So beg your Hon^rs. &c^a. favour in this affair and we shall as in duty bound for ever pray.

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To the Honble. the President
& Council of Fort S^t. George.

Honble. S^r. &c^a.

Thirty Chests of Treasure from the Frances being examin'd on shore we found ninteen to be Pillar Dollars and eleven to be Mexico.

N°. 53 : 66 : 67 : 68 : 71 : 73 : 74 : 75 : 76 : 77 : 78 : 80 : 82 : 84 : 85 : 88 : 89 : 94 : 241	19 Chests of Pillar Dollars lb. oz^s. ea : q^t. 290 : 8.	
N°. 212 : 213 : 215 : 220 : 223 : 224 : 225 : 229 : 230 : 232 : 233	11 Chests of Mexico Dollars lb. oz^s. ea : q^t. 290 8.	

We are
Honble. S^r. &c^a.
Yo^r. most Humble Servants

Richard Benyon.
[*Lacuna*].
James Hubbard.

Fort S^t. George
19°. June. 1724.

At a Consultation

Present

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Govern^r. Presid^t.
Nath^ll. Turner. Rich^d. Benyon.
Randall Fowke. James Hubbard. George Drake.
Messrs. Emmerson & Houghton *absent.*

Friday the 26°. in the afternoon.

Petition of Appeal from a judgment given against Capt. John Sleddall in the Mayors Court in a cause between himself and Capt. John Asselin deliverd in and read.

Petition of Appeal of Capt. John Sleddall read as also several Papers.

Read likewise Proceedings of Court.

Capt. Sleddall's petition.
Capt. Asselin's reply.
Penalty bond & Counterpart.
Cap^tn. Shee & Brasier's Certificates.
Acco^t. Curr^t. with Capt. Asselin deliver'd into Court by Capt. Sleddall.
Acco^t. Particulars thereof.
Acco^t. Particulars of a Cargo provided by Capt. Sleddall.
Capt. Sleddall's Letter to Capt. Asselin.
Two Letters from M^r. Moore of Bengall to Capt. Asselin.
Messrs. Gollop and Fullagar's report of the Acco^ts. deliver'd into Court by Capt. Sleddall.

All which being duely considerd the Board came to the following resolutions in which they were unanimous.

The affair being duely consider'd of the Board came to the following Resolutions.

That it apppears to them Capt. John Asselin did use his utmost endeavours to procure a Vessell of the burthen agreed on and that none were procurable except the Neptune Brigantine and that not till the 3^d. of October so that it was impossible for him to have bought her and been here according to the Contract made.

That Capt. Asselin has us'd his endeav^rs. for the procuring a vessell.

That the Bond making express provision that in case a Vessell was not procurable it was not forfeit Capt. Asselin is in no ways liable to the penalty therein expressed.

[That] the Provision [in the] bond on that [point frees] him from [any penalty]

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Mayrs. Court Verdict confirm'd.

Order'd therefore that the verdict of the Mayors Court be confirm'd and that Capt. Sleddall do pay the charges of the Appeal.

Papers to be enter'd after this Con.

Order'd that the following Papers be enter'd after this Consultation, Vizt.

Petition of Appeal.
Penalty bond.
Capt. Shee & Capt. Brasier's certificates.
Capt. Sleddall's petition to the Court &
Capt. Asselin's reply.

Capt. Sleddall inform'd of the opinion of the board upon which he delivers in a Protest.

Capt. Sleddall being then inform'd of the opinion of the Board drew out a Paper out of his Pocket which he desir'd leave to deliver to the Board. The Secretary accordingly recd. it and upon opening it was found to be a Protest whereupon he was order'd to withdraw and the Protest being read, according to the Copy enter'd after this Consultation, It was propos'd to order him home immediately for offering such an insult to the Board but in consideration of his Family which must suffer very much by so strict a proceedure, It was Agreed only to check him for the same ; Accordingly,

He was call'd in and reprimanded for the insult offer'd the Bd.

He was call'd in & told by the Presidt. that his Protest had been read & should be enter'd, that were they to treat him as he deserv'd he would immediately be sent off the Shore but that in consideration of his Family they should not proceed to rigourous measures and that 'twas only that & because they did not think him a fit object of their Resentment that prevented them treating him in another manner.

his havg. the Protest ready in his Pocket plainly shews that he expected to be Cast.

It is remarkable [that] Capt. Sleddall expected to be again cast for he had the [Protest] ready wrote in his Pocket which in all proba[bility] had been so for some days the date thereof having been erased and a new one put in and the tenour thereof running against the whole Board whereas Messrs. Emmerson & Houghton were not present.

N. Elwick.
Nathl. Turner.
Richd. Benyon.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

To the Hon le. Nathl. Elwick Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. of Fort St. George &ca. Council.

The Petition of John Sleddall

Humbly Sheweth

That Your Petitioner and Capt. John Asselin upon a contract made between them enter'd into penalty bonds, that the said Capt. Asselin not having perform'd his Part of the said Contract your Petitioner sued him in the Mayrs. Court for the forfeiture but that the Worspll. Bench having order'd him to bring an Accot. damages sustain'd by the sd. Capt. Asselin his non performance of the Contract he did so but it was thrown out and your Petitioner lost his Suit.

Now your Petitioner conceives that the Penalty bond enter'd into by the said Capt. John Asselin was to oblige him to performance of articles and that he not havg. so done the said bond is forfeited which being contrary to the verdict of the Mayors Court

Yr. Petitioner therefore prays your Honr. &ca. will be pleas'd to permit him to bring this Case before your Honble. Board there to be decided as to your Honr. &ca. shall seem just and as in duty bound Yr. Petitioner shall ever pray &ca.

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[Know] all Men by these Presents that I John Asselin [Mariner] do hereby contract and oblige my self to pro[ceed to] Bengall there to use my utmost endeavours in buy[ing] and procuring a ship about One hundred and twenty Tons, twenty Ton more or less with Salt Petre for ballast and all other necessarys and fitting for the Sea and to be in Madrass by the beginning of October next insuing or so soon as the Monsoons shall permit.

And I Capt. John Sleddall at Madrass does on the other part oblige my self at the arrival of the said Vessell at the aforesaid Port of Madrass to provide a cargo ready for her to proceed to the Malabar Coast and from thence to Mocha and the said John Asselin to be Master of the said Vessell and jointly concern'd with half of both Vessell and Cargo, my self to have three ℔ Cent and the s^{d}. John Asselin two ℔ Cent Commission and in case of non performance of these Articles each Party obliges himself Executors Administrators and Assigns to forfeit the Sum of one thousand Pagodas as a penalty with the Provisor a Vessell is to be got. Whereunto we have interchangeably set our hands and Seals this 19th. day of Augst. anno Dom. 1723 and in the tenth year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord George by the grace of God over Great Brittain, France & Ireland King Defender of the Faith &c^{a}.

John Sleddall. (locus sig)

John Asselin. (locus sig)

Sign'd, Seal'd & deliver'd at Madrass in the East Indies where no stampt Paper to be had in the presence of

John Geho.
Thos. Dauling.

Know all Men by these Presents that I Victor Shee Mariner do firmly declare that when I was at Fort William in Bengall there were put up at publick Outcry on the third of October 1723 the following Vessells for Sale Viz^{t}.

The Bonita Galley Burthen four hundred Tons at five thousand Rupees which no body offer'd to purchase.

The Neptune Brigantine Burthen One hundred and thirty Tons at two thousand rupees which no Person offer'd to buy.

The Catherine Burthen eighty Tons which I my self bought for eight hundred Rupees.

To the truth of this Attestation I hereunto Set my hand and Seal in Fort S^{t}. George this sixth day of January 1723/4.

Victor Shee. (l s)

In the presence of us

Julius Gollop.
Charles Fleetwood.

Know all Men by these Presents that I Sam^{ll}. Brasier Mariner do firmly declare that when I was at Fort William in Bengall there was put up at Outcry on the third of October 1723 the following vessells for Sale Viz^{t}.

The Bonita Galley burthen four hundred Tons at five thousand Rupees which no body offer'd to purchase.

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The Neptune Brigantine Burthen one hundred & thirty Tons or thereabouts at two thousand Rupees which no body offer'd to buy.

The Catherine Burthen eighty Tons which Victor Shee bo^{t}. for eight hundred Rupees.

To the truth of this Attestation I hereunto set my hand and Seal in Fort S^{t}. George this fifth day of February anno Dom 1723/4. In the presence of us.

Samuel Brasier. (l s)

Sign'd Seal'd & deliver'd (where no Stampt Paper is to be had) in the presence of us.

William Leeke.
Samuel Fowler.

To the Worsp^{ll}. George Sitwell Esqr.
Mayor and Aldermen Assembled.
The humble Petition of John Sleddall

Sheweth

That your Petitioner on the 19°. of August 1723 made a contract with Capt. John Asselin to go a voyage to the Malabar Coast and from thence to Mocha and in order thereto it was mutually concerted and agreed that the said John Asselin should proceed to Bengall to procure a Vessell and that your Petitioner should stay here to provide a Cargo ready at his return for the intended voyage which your Petitioner accordingly perform'd. But the said John Asselin did not on his part make use of his endeavours (according to his agreement) to purchase a Vessell notwithstanding there were three expos'd to publick Sale Viz^{t}. the Bonita, the Neptune Brigantine and the Catherine but on the contrary the said John Asselin enter'd into a new Contract with the Owners of Ship Chester and ship't himself Master of the said Vessell which is a direct Breach and Violation of his Agreement, which has tended to the great detriment of your Petitioner, both by detaining him on shore and hindering him from seeking out other means for providing for himself and family as well as the losses he has sustain'd by the Goods he provided on that Acco^{t}. with many more disadvantages and inconveniencys.

Therefore Y^{r}. Petitioner humbly requests Y^{r}. Worship &c^{a}. will take this matter into consideration and oblige the said John Asselin to pay the penalty incerted in his obligatory Bond for the non performance of his Contract.

And Y^{r}. Petitioner
as in duty bound
Shall every pray &c^{a}.

To the Worsp^{ll}. George Sitwell Esqr.
Mayor & Aldermen in Court assembled.

The answer of John Asselin Defendant to the complaint of John Sleddal

Sheweth

That this Defendant after having enter'd into a Contract with the Plaintiff to do his endeavour to procure a Vessell of One hundred and twenty Tons, twenty Ton more or less, proceeded down to Bengall & as soon as he arriv'd in the River wrote up to his Correspondent M^{r}. Moore about it who return'd this Defendant for answer that he would do his endeavour in that affair & about three days after the said M^{r}. Moore advised this Defend^{t}. of the S^{t}. Mark and sent him a list of her Stores which this Defendant can produce as also his first Letter, this Defendant saith that upon his arrival in Bengall he was discharg'd from his Ship so that he went up himself to Hughly to survey the said Ship S^{t}. Mark & profer'd six thousand Rupees Madrass

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for her and the same day went aboard several Brigantines but found none for Sale and doth further aver that he this Defendant kept a broker in pay for the purpose aforesaid from the time of his arrival there till the 1st. of Novr. following & this Defendt. finding there was nothing to be done at Hughly desir'd Mr. Moor to ask Capt. Jones for his Brigantine and to offer him four thousand Rupees for her which was accordingly done and the said Capt. Jones desir'd us to stay till he had wrote to Mr. Frankland at Casimbuzar who return'd answer yt. he design'd to send her to the Eastward, this Defendant saith that seeing there was no probability of getting a vessell he advis'd with his Attorneys Mr. Harnet and Mr. Moor and afterwards engag'd himself with Mr. Harkness in the Ship Chester, this Defendant further saith that Mr. Harnet promis'd him if his Brigantines arriv'd that he this Defendant should have one for the purpose aforesd. which this Defendant did fully propose and resolv'd had she arriv'd in time to have brot. her to Madrass but yt. on the 25o. this Defendt. recd. a letter from the Plaintiff dated Sepr. 13 wherein he informs this Defendant of a Vessell to be bought in Madrass road, this Defendant saith that he immediately wrote the Plaintiff an answer in which he told him that he approv'd so much of the Voyage, to buy the Vessell and to concern this Defendant five hundred or a thousand Pagods. in her stock and block, This Defendt. hath nothing further to advance in his own behalf but that he hath proceeded in this affair with all Honr. & Justice for confirmation of which he humbly refers yor. Worspll. &ca. to Attestations from undr. the hands of Mr. Harnet & Moore which were inclos'd in Letters from them to the Plaintiff, Wherefore this Defendant doth humbly rely on your Worsp &ca. for justice and requests to be hence dismiss'd with costs and damages in this behalf wrongfully sustain'd.

Whereas I John Sleddall of Fort St. George did request an Appeal from the Mayor's Court of the sd. Place to the Honble. Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Presidt. & Govr. of Fort St. George belonging to the Honble. United Compa. of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies &ca. Council concerning a law difference between my self & Capt. John Asselin by the breach of a bond of one thousand Pagodas Currant money of Madrass on the Part of the said Capt. John Asselin & likewise for several other damages sustain'd by him the said Capt. John Asselin's not performing his Part according to Contract I am a great Sufferer to the amount of two thousand Pagodas Currant money of Madrass or thereabouts.

And Whereas the sd. Honble. Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Presidt. & Govr. &ca. Council as aforesaid has determin'd the said Law difference in favour of the said Capt. John Asselin & entirely contrary to my satisfaction therefore I John Sleddall do in the name of George King of Great Brittain France & Ireland &cs. by these Presents Protest against you the Honble. Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. President & Govern. and the Worspll. Nathaniel Turner & Richard Benyon and John Emmerson and Randal Fowke and James Hubbard and George Drake and Josiah Houghton all of Council of the said Place as also against the Honble. United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies for all Cost, losses, damages and Interest whatsoever I may sustain for whant of sufficent Security on the part of the said Capt. John Asselin which will if neglected entirely put it out of my power to sue for such losses and Damages sustained in any court of Judicature in Engld. where I resolve to appeal in hopes of recovering my right as Witness my hand this twenty sixth of June Anno Dom: one thousand seven hundred and twenty four.

John Sleddall.

Sloop Edward Merah Tandell arriv'd from Fort St. David. 26.

Ship Hannover Sheik Webereham arriv'd from Covelon. 27.

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28. Rec^{d}. ℔ Peons 2 General Letters.
one from M^{r}. Blunt at Ingeram.
one from M^{r}. Holcombe at Metchlepatam.

— Ship Elizabeth Capt. Heron Hart Command^{r}. sail'd for Beng^{ll}. by her sent a letter to the Presid^{t}. & Council there.

— Ship Chester Capt. John Asselin Command^{r}. sail'd for Surat.

30. Dispatch'd 2 Generall Letters.
One to the Cheif & Council of Vizagapatam.
One to the Cheif of Ingeram.

— Ship S^{t}. Lewis Monsieur Rozet sail'd for Bengall.

— Brig^{t}. Fauthermoorad Sheik Rustoon sail'd for D^{o}.

— Brig^{t}. Jane Capt. Charles Williams sail'd for Vizag^{m}. & Bengall.

At a Consultation

Present

Wednesday the 1st.

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Govern^{r}. President.
Nath^{ll}. Turner. Rich^{d}. Benyon. John Emmerson.
Randall Fowke. James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Commissions Sign'd for the Military.

Sign'd the following Commissions for the Military.

To John Roach Capt. of the blue Company and Major of the Troops und^{r}. the command of this Presidency.
To Alexander Sutherland Lieutenant of the Yellow.
To Thomas Ogden Lieutenant of the Green.
To David Wilson Lieutenant of the Blue.

Report of the Monmouth's Treasure.

Messrs. Emmerson and Hubbard with the Warehousek^{r}. report the Monmouth's Silver which is all right except one Chest invoic'd Estimates which comes out Pillar.

as also of the Stowage of the Madeira on board her.

Messrs. Gibbon, Laye and Schee[r]m[bc.] deliver in their report of the Madeira Wine on board the Monmouth which they affirm to be well stow'd as by their report which with the former is enter'd after this Consultation.

3500 Ps. adv^{d}. the Paymaster.

Order'd to advance the Paymaster three thousand five hundred Pagodas to defray charges Garrison.

The Godowns for Tar being out of repair

The Storekeep^{r}. informing the Board that the Godowns where the Tar is kept are very much out of repair

Pay^{mr}. to refit them.

Order'd that the Paymaster do immediately make them fit for the holding the Tar.

The Cordage from Europe to be ex^{d}.

Order'd that the Storek^{r}. do with such experienc'd Persons as he can get together examine the Cordage come out this year and report the same to the Board.

General Letters from Ingeram.

General Letters read Viz^{t}.

One from M^{r}. Blunt dated the 9°. Ult^{o}. to inclose his Acco^{t}. Cash and Acco^{t}. Curr^{t}. for the month of May wherein he adds he designs to send up the Ingeram Merchant by the 20th. August, gives some advices of the affairs in the Country and desires leave to build the House permitted him on the other side of the Creeck of Yannum.

from Metchlepm.

One from M^{r}. Holcombe dated the 14°. June inclosing his Acco^{ts}. for May and desiring a dozen of Chairs, a table, & two Couches may be sent him.

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The President inform'd the Board that yesterday he rec^{d}. private advices from the Country that in a late engagement near Auringabad wherein the Nabobs of this Side of the Country were most of them join'd against Chicklys Cawn (otherwise call'd Nissa Mulmolucque), this latter had gain'd a compleat Victory, Galib Cawn Comm^{r}. of the Forces sent against him by our Nabob being kill'd as was likewise Falum Cawn Son to Abdulnabbe Cawn & almost all the cheif officers in the army. Sheik Mahomud Cawn Nabob of Hidrabat was likewise wounded and his life despair'd of. These Letters add that a detachment of Chicklys Cawn's army amounting to about fifteen thousand Men were on their march to seize Sattingurra one of the Passes into the Carnatta Country which had occasion'd our Nabob to march to secure it in order to which he was levying forces with the utmost expedition and at very extravagant rates. Further advices say that Abdulnabbee Cawn was march'd against Tyre Cawn to take possession of the Chingy Country and that we might shortly expect an Acco^{t}. of the engagement from those Parts.

Presid^{t}. acquaints the Board of an engagement near Auringabad between Chicklys Cawn and the Nabobs of this Part of the Country.

The Board then proceeded on the Petition of appeal lodg'd by Nella Canta Ragana and after hav^{g}. read the Petition, Proceedings of Court and other Papers produc'd on both Sides unanimously AGREED to confirm the judgment of Court. Petition & Court Proceedings are enter'd hereafter.

The Verdict of the Mayrs. Court confirm'd in the Cause of Nella Canta Ragana.

N. ELWICK.
NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

To the HON^{BLE}. NATHAN^{LL}. ELWICK ESQ^{R}.
PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}. OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE &C^{A}. COUNCIL.

HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. &C^{A}.

In obedience to your order We have examin'd the sixty Chests of Treasure brought by the Monmouth, The Chest N°. 51 Invoic'd Estimates proves to be Pillar, All the rest agree exactly with the Invoice. We are

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
29°. JUNE 1724.

HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. &C^{A}.
Your most Hum^{ble}. Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JAMES HUBBARD.

To the HON^{BLE}. NATHN^{LL}. ELWICK ESQ^{R}.
PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}. OF FORT S^{T}. GEO^{R}. &C^{A}.

HON^{BLE}. S^{R}.

In obedience to your Hon^{rs}. Commands We have been on board Ship Monmouth and duely examin'd the Stowage of the Wine wherein we find no defect as far as we can see ; None of the lower tire being hitherto unstow'd, there is one Pipe about twelve Inches leak'd out which is occasion'd by want of Flags in the chime of the Pipe. We are

HON^{BLE}. S^{R}.
Y^{r}. most Obed^{t}. & most Hum^{ble}. Serv^{ts}.

STEPHEN GIBBON.
ROGER LAYE.
MART^{RE}. SCHEERM^{RE}.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1724*—

To the Honble. Nathan^ll. Elwick Esqr.
Presid^t. & Govr. &c^a. Council of Fort S^t. George.
The Petition Ragana Chints Painter

Sheweth

That in a Cause lately try'd in the Worsp^ll. the Mayor's Court between your Petitioner and Areapa Sea Gate Conicoply Judgment was given ag^st. your Petitioner which not being satisfactory and he beleiveing he has something to urge in his behalf which if heard in the Mayors Court would have given that Worsp^ll. Bench cause to alter their Opinions of this affair

Y^r. Petitioner therefore humbly hopes Y^r. Hon^r. &c^a. will grant him a rehearing thereof and as in duty bound

Y^r. Petitioner
Shall ever pray.

1724 April 18th. Subramany Chitty Son of Cheveram Chitty enters an action against Nella Canta Cundapa Chitty for Pag^s. 600.

Warrant return'd & Served.

20 Bail put in by Mint Ball Chitty to render the Person of the Defendant into Court or answer Cost & damages.

At a Court held at Town Hall on the 20th. of April 1724 the Worsp^ll. George Sitwell Esqr. Mayor and Aldermen Assembled.

Petition read and fil'd shewing that the Defendant had borrow'd Pag^s. 289. 2. on bond of one Areapa which s^d. bond was assign'd by the said Areapa to your Petitioner in consideration of said Sum paid him and the Defendant refusing payment therefore he prays the assistance of the Worsp^ll. Bench for recovery of the same with Interest.

Order'd that the Defendant do make answer next Court day.

At a Court held at the Town Hall on the 19°. of May 1724 the Worsp^ll. George Sitwell Esqr. Mayor and Aldermen Assembled.

Petition read 2^d. time.

Answer of Nella Canta Ragana read and fil'd setting forth that the above bond was given by the Defendants Father for the amount of Rice and Chey root deliver'd him by the said Areapa but that it was Agreed between them that the Defendants Father should work it out in Painting of Cloth & that pursuant to the said Agreement above half the said bond was work't out in painting, that the Defend^t. has at this juncture Cloth in his hands to be painted on the said Acco^t. and that he always was and is ready to comply with the said Contract made between his Father & the said Areapa therefore prays the Cause may be dismiss'd with Costs and damages.

At a Court held at the Town Hall on the 19°. of May 1724 the Worsp^ll. George Sitwell Esqr. May^r. & Aldermen Assembled.

Translate of the Bond read.

Translate of Areapa's Assignment read.

Arreapa appearing declares the said bond was given for some money lent & rice & Chey root deliver'd, that he made no such agreement as is asserted by the Defend^t. and that he has paid for Cloth painted by the Defend^t. and his Father.

Order'd that the said Arreapa do produce an Acco^t. next Court day how much money was paid and rice and Chey root deliver'd for which said bond was given and what Cloth has been since painted by the Defendant and his Father and what part thereof he has paid.

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The Defendant being very ill his Attorney moves for further time. JUNE 5

ORDER'D that it be deferr'd till next Court day.

AT A COURT HELD AT THE TOWN HALL THE 12TH. JUNE 1724 THE WORSPLL. GEORGE SITWELL ESQR. MAYOR AND ALDERMEN ASSEMBLED.

The Defendant being still ill likewise his Attorney & not able to attend the Court

ORDER'D it be deferr'd till next Court day.

AT A COURT HELD AT THE TOWN HALL THE 19TH. JUNE 1724 THE WORSPLL. GEORGE SITWELL ESQE. MAYOR AND ALDERMEN ASSEMBLED.

The Defendant being ask't if he gave such a bond as is before mention'd to Areapa acknowledg'd that he had, but at the same time said, he had paid in part of it about Pagodas. 170 thô he could produce no manner of proof to the Court of it & Areapa delivering several Accots. to the Bench that he had still depending with the said Nella Canta Cundapa Chitty independent of the said Bond, the Court therefore finding said Defendant could bring no manner of proof that he discharg'd any part of said bond thô he had sufficient time given so to do.

AGREED & ORDERD that the said Defendant do pay the said bond with Interest together with Cost of Suit.

Vera Copia

L S MAYOR'S COURT appeal'd to the Govr. & Council.

AB: WESSELL *Regr.*

Recd. a General Lettr. from the Cheif & Council at Fort St. David. 3

Ship Catherine & Brigt. Blessing sail'd for Bengall. —

Ship Hannover Meah Saib ownr. sail'd for Bengall. —

The Frances (belonging to the Honble. Company) Capt. Thomas Newsham Commandr. saild for Bengall, by her sent a Letter. —

Mr. Higginson set out for Fort St. David, by him sent a letter. 4

Arriv'd the Carlisle Capt. Raworth Martin from Don Mascarine. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

NATHANLL. ELWICK ESQR. GOVERNR. PRESIDENT. TUESDAY THE 7°.
NATHANLL. TURNER. RICHD. BENYON. JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDAL FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

The President reads the Accot. of the Honble. Companys Cash for last month Ballance remaining thirty three thousand four hundred thirty eight Pagodas nine fanams and twenty one Cash. Cash Acct. for June read.

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Land Customrs. Accot. for June read.

James Hubbard Land Customer reads that Accot. for last month Vizt.

Choultry Customs	P.	522	7	36		
Ruby Brokerage		88	31	4		
Registring Slaves		—	32	—		
					Ps.	611 34 40

Ballance due from him five hundred ninety two Pagods. nine fanams and forty Cash.

Money pd. in for Silver sold.

Richard Benyon Import Warehousekeepr. pays into Cash fifteen thousand six hundred ninety six Pagodas twelve fanams and seventy Cash produce of six Chests of Silver sold at fifteen days trust and fifteen Dollars ₱ ten Pagodas Vizt.

				lbs.			
6 Chests Estimates	Pz	1744					
[Wt.] 2 dwt. [?]		15	8	10	22		
lbs.	1728	—	9	2			

an Ensign's Comn. given to Hugh Kennedy.

There having been for sometime an Ensign's Commission vacant and these ships having brought out Mr. Hugh Kennedy who was formerly an Ensign here and behav'd himself well, it was propos'd and AGREED to give him the Commission which was accordingly produc'd and sign'd.

Petition of Cojee Serkis read and the affair debated.

Codejee Serkis's petition as enter'd after this Consultation read and the merits of it enquir'd into & debated, after some small time spent therein he was call'd in and told that when he sent his Ship to Surat, the English sent none and he engag'd she should go to Manilha from thence which was the cheif inducement with the Govr. not to set up a freight Ship for Surat at the same time his Ship went but that contrary to his Agreement he had order'd her back again and not only so but had contracted with several Persons at under rates by which Means not a bale of Goods was to be procur'd for the English Ship, That therefore since he had acted so very unjustly the Board were resolve'd he should not be permitted to send his Ship unless upon his own Accot. that nobody should be suffer'd to freight or take Passage upon her but the Ownrs. of her. Upon which he told the Board there were upwards of One hundred owners which being looked upon as a design to impose upon the Board who are most of them sensible she belongs intirely to the Armenians, it was RESOLVED the ship should not go the Voyage.

The Salamany not permitted to goto Manilha.

The Presidt. reports his havs. recd. advices of the arrival of an Ostend Ship at Covelon.

The President reports to the Board that he had recd. advices of the arrival of an Ostend Ship at Covilon with Recruits and money for their Settlement there and a Commission from the Emperour which was confirm'd to him by a Lettr. from Mr. Burton advising the Ship was call'd the St. Charles commanded by Capt. Michael Kyfas, that she sail'd from Ostend the 10th. of February N. S. and was at the time of the dispatch of the Letter standing in for Pondicherry where he believ'd she would anchor.

orders affixd at the Sea Gate & Choultry relating to her.

Upon which it was AGREED to affix orders at the Choultry and Sea Gate prohibiting all manner of Commerce or Correspondence with them directly or indirectly in the form enter'd after this Consultation.

Fort St. David General letter read.

General Letter from Fort St. David dated the 1st. Inst, read inclosing the List of their bales and their Cash and Merchants Accots. and advising their draft of three thousand Pagodas to Sadashevarow and three thousand to the other Set of Merchants.

Bills of Exchs. accepted & S. Ramah's ballce. to be pd. here.

ORDER'D that they be accepted and that Suncha Ramah's ballance be paid here.

N. ELWICK.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

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To the Honble. Nath^ll. Elwick Esqr.
Presid^t. & Govern^r. of Fort S^t. George &c^a. Council
The humble Petition of Cojee Serkis & Coja Gregore
Attorneys of Coja Simone

Sheweth

That your Petitioners being Owners of Ship Salliman (which sail'd from this Port to Surat & design'd from thence to Manilha) are considerable Sufferers as well as the rest of the Owners by the said ship's not proceeding on her voyage from Surat to Manilha which was occasion'd by the death of the Noquedah and not being able to get another to go with the Freight thither. This disappointment oblig'd her to return to this Port with that part of her Cargo design'd for Manilha, as soon as your Petitioners were acquainted with the reason of her return they went and inform'd the Honble. Govr. therewith and also of the ill Success that they and the rest of the owners met with on that Acco^t. upon which your Petitioner's had liberty from the Honble. Govern^r. & Council to provide more Goods and dispatch the said ship with all expedition for Manilha. In order thereto your Petitioners took up at Respondentia a considerable sum of Money and sent the same into the Country to procure more goods, forty or fifty bales of which are already provided, some in your Petitioner's Godowns and some at the Sea Gate ready to be put on board but are not allow'd to be sent off the Consequence of which will not only prevent the Ships proceeding on her voyage to Manilha this Season but be also a very great Loss to your Petitioners &c^a. Owners having taken up at respondentia so much money; Therefore they most humbly pray that your Hon^r. &c^a. will grant a permission for those Goods to be sent off without which twill be impossible the said Ship Salliman should proceed on her Voyage.

And Your Petitioners
as in duty bound
Shall ever pray.

Fort S^t. George
the 3^d. of July 1724.

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. President & Governour of Fort S^t. George &c^a. Council to all to whom these Presents may come Greeting.

Whereas There is lately arriv'd on the Coast a Ship carrying the Colours of the Emperour of Germany and having or pretending to have a Commission from him to settle a Factory at Covilon in order to carry on a trade in the Indies which if it succeeds will be extreamly prejudicial to the Interest of the Honble. English East India Company

This is therefore to give publick Notice that whatever Inhabitant of this Place shall aid or assist the s^d. ship in any manner of way directly or indirectly either by himself or by his Servants or Correspondents his estate shall be confiscated to the use of the Honble. Company & himself expell'd the Bounds and further all Merchants or others that have any effects or Servants at Covilon are immediately requir'd to withdraw them under pain of incurring the Penaltys abovemention'd. And to the end that none may pretend ignorance the Honble. the Presid^t. & Council of this Place have order'd this declaration to be translated into all the Languages and hung up at the Choultry and Sea Gate of which publick notice is likewise given by the beating of the Tomtom.

By ord^r. of the Honble. the Presid^t. & Council

George Torriano
Secry.

Ship S^t. Lewis Francisco Gregorio Capitao sail'd for Bengall. 7
Dispatch'd a General Letter to M^r. Holcombe at Metchlep^m. 8
Sloop Lorient Monsieur Scipiony arriv'd from Pondicherry. 12

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— Rec^d. a General Lett^r. from the Cheif & Council at Fort S^t. David.

— Sloop Ruby Capt. John West sail'd for Surat.

At a Consultation

Present

Monday the 13th.

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Govern^r. President.
Nathan^l. Turner. Rich^d. Benyon. John Emmerson.
Randal Fowke. James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Acco^t. Curr^t. with Fort S^t. David & Vizagap^m. with a lett^r. produc'd.

The Accomptant produces the Fort S^t. David & Vizagapatam Acco^t. Curr^t. as they stand in our Books to the Ult^o. April together with a letter to the Accomptant of Fort S^t. David both which are agreed to be forwarded.

Fort S^t. David Genll. Lett^r. read.

General Letter from Fort S^t. David advising M^r. Burton's having deliver'd up the charge of that Settlem^t. to M^r. Higginson and inclosing a list of their bales.

M^r. Oadham's Will produc'd and a Certificate giving his widow.

The last Will and Testament of M^r. Catesby Oadham was this day produc'd to the Board as enter'd after this Consultation which not being seal'd nor Witness'd but wrote with his own hand and no other Will appear^s. it was upon the request of his Widow and Executrix admitted and a Certificate given her sign'd by all of us that we do sincerely believe it to be the hand writing of the said M^r. Catesby Oadham.

A Declaration to be given to the Com^r. of y^e. Ship bound to Pegue concerning the Lascars being entic'd away that such Persons shall be liable to Punishment.

The ships belonging to the English that have lately been at Pegue having suffer'd very much by the loss of their Lascars enticed away by the Armenians and other Persons trading there insomuch that two of our Ships have lost their Voyages by this practice and one being now going it was Agreed to give a declaration under the Company's Seal to the Command^r. for him to affix at the Gates of the English Factory declaring that whoever shall either entice away or employ any Lascar belonging to the said Ship without a discharge from the Capt. of her shall be punish'd at the pleasure of this board which was accordingly drawn up and is enter'd after this Consultation.

a Commission to be drawn out for M^r. Turner.

The time appointed for M^r. Turner's going to Fort S^t. David being now very near approach'd and M^r. Macrae not arriv'd,

He to proceed for Fort S^t. David.

Agreed that a Commission be drawn out against Saturday next and that he do then proceed thither.

20,000 Ps. to be sent along with him.

M^r. Turner's going being a very favourable opportunity for sending a supply of Treasure to Fort S^t. David it is Agreed to send in Company with him twenty thousand Pagodas in charge of forty Peons who are to go as part of his Attendants thither.

M^r. Newcome permitted to come up from Vizagapatam and M^r. Davis to go thither Second.

M^r. Newcome having been desirous for sometime past to come up from Vizagap^m. and M^r. Sands Davis willing to go down thither it is

Agreed that M^r. Davis do go upon the Monmouth Second of Vizagapatam and M^r. Newcome be allow'd to come up upon the Goodfellow who is appointed to call there in her way from Bengall to take in the Company's Bales.

Wares & stores to be put ab^d. the Monm^o.

Order'd likewise that the Wares & stores necessary for the Supply of that Settlement be put on board the said Ship.

N. Morse appointed to the Choultry.

This remove making a vacancy in the employ of Choultry Register and M^r. Nicholas Morse having been upwards of six years in the Company's Service & always behav'd himself well therein, it is unanimously Agreed to appoint him to the said Employ.

M^r. Benyon to be Provll. Accomp^t.

M^r. Richard Benyon next in Station to M^r. Turner appointed Provisional Accomptant till the arrival of Messrs. Macrae and Pitt when M^r. Turner is to return from Fort S^t. David.

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The Warekr. reports the badness of the Cloth he had directed the Merchts. to delirer out, for Dying and Painting.

Mr. Benyon then reported the Board that he had a few days before order'd the Merchants to deliver the Cloth for dying and painting, that in consequence thereof he had been in Suncha Ramah's Godowns to inspect the Same but found it so intolerable bad that he was oblig'd to report it to the Board.

The Turnd out Chop to be made, the Cloth being found to be bad. The Warekr. to consider upon a method to ease the Sorters and Washers.

Several Pieces of the said Cloth being sent for it was found to be vastly inferiour to the Muster and the Board observing that the Merchants notwithstandg. our frequent recommending to them to improve the Fabrick continued to bring as bad Goods as ever, Resolv'd to put the Companys orders in execution relating to the turn'd out Chops and they are accordingly order'd to be made. It was likewise recommended to the Warehousekeeper to consider upon some method to ease the Sorters & Washers in case the Cloth should continue to be equally bad as it has been for sometime passed.

N. Elwick.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

In the name of God Amen I Catesby Oadham being at this time of perfect health and sound memory do make this my last Will and Testament and do make and declare my Wife Mary Oadham to be my Sole Executrix dated in Madrass this sixth day of May in the year of our Lord God one thousand seven hundred and twenty.

℔ Catesby Oadham.

We the President & Council of Fort St. George in the East Indies having at the especial request & intreaty of Mrs. Mary Oadham Widow & Executrix of Mr. Catesby Oadham late of Council of this Place perus'd examin'd and duely consider'd the hereunto annex'd last Will & Testament of the said Catesby Oadham this day produc'd before us do solemnly declare that it is our firm belief that the said hereunto annex'd Will is the hand writing of the said Catesby Oadham with which we are all of us well acquainted. In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands this thirteenth day of July in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and twenty four.

Nathanll. Elwick.
Nathanll. Turner.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall Fowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Whereas an Ill Custom has lately prevail'd in Pegue of enticing away and entertaining the Lascars belonging to our ships by which means our said Ships have been retarded in their business and even oblig'd to lye the Season round in Pegue We have therefore given authority to our Resident Capt. Charles Wybergh to publish this our declaration by which we do positively declare and resolve that whoever shall so entice or entertain any Lascar belongs. to our ship Barrington or any other to whom we shall think fit to grant our Protection without a discharge from his Captain as well the Person so enticing or entertaining our Lascars as the Lascars themselves who shall so desert shall be liable to such punishment as we shall think fit to inflict. In Wittness whereof we have caus'd the Company's Seal to be affix'd to these Presents in Fort St. George this [*lacuna*] day of July 1724.

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13. Ship Modena Bux Sheik Dowalle sail'd for Ganjam.
14. Dispatch'd General Lett^{r}. to the Chief & Council of Vizag^{m}.
— Ketch Fautherdoulat, Coberonsond Noquedah sail'd to Ganjam.
15 Sloops Tartar and Lorient sail'd for Bengall.

At a Consultation

Present

Friday the 16th. [17th.]

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Govern^{r}. Presid^{t}.
Nath^{ll}. Turner. Rich^{d}. Benyon. Jno. Emmerson.
Randall Fowke. James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

M^{r}. Turner's Comm^{n}. for the Dep^{ty}. Govr. Ship of Fort S^{t}. David sign'd.

A Commission appointing Nathaniel Turner Esqr. Dep^{ty}. Govr. of Fort S^{t}. David produc'd and sign'd as enter'd in the Letter Book Sent No. 37.

Instructions to be given him, debated & agreed that the Cos. orders be put in execution and a true state of the Case to be [ad]vis'd of from thence [for] further directions. The Garrison there not to be reduc'd as yet there being 4 Armys in y^{e}. country.

Instructions to be given him being then debated the Companys orders by the last year's Ships and those now rec^{d}. were read over, those of the former have been already sent to Fort S^{t}. David and it is recommended to the new Dep^{ty}. Govr. to see them put in practice and when he comes down after having thoroughly consider'd how far they can be exactly follow'd he do write us a true state of the Case for our further orders. As for these this year excepting the Charges Cattle they intirely relate to the lessening that Garrison which it is unanimously Agreed cannot be done at this Juncture while there are four such powerfull armys in the Country as were advis'd in Consultation of the 1st. Inst. and therefore we must defer the reduction for some time.

Report of another engagement in the country.

The President in consequence of this produc'd another Lett^{r}. giving us an Acco^{t}. that there had hapned a very bloody engagement between Abdulnabby Cawn and Tyre Cawn in which the former was kill'd and the latter mortally wounded and that there were upwards of 12000 Men out of in the engagement that upon this our Nabob was march'd to take possession of the Chingie Countrys imagining that after such a vast loss neither side will be able to oppose him. That Nissa Mulmoloch is on his march to this side of the Country and a detachment of his army consisting of 15,000 Men is now encamp'd at 15 leagues distance from Hidrabat in their way hither follow'd by himself with the Main Body.

Abdulnabby Cawn's family resolv'd to maintain their right to the Chingie Country.

The Presid^{t}. added that there are remaining of Abdul Nabby Cawn's family three and twenty Persons who are all resolv'd to maintain their right to the Chingie Country or die so that there is little likelyhood of these Parts being setled again in peace for a long time.

M^{r}. Turner produces the General Books & delivers them to M^{r}. Benyon.

Nathaniel Turner produces the following Books and delivers them to M^{r}. Benyon Viz^{t}.

Journal and Leidger Comm^{s}. May 1st. 1723 End^{s}. 30 Apr^{ll}. 1724 bro^{t}. up to the last of April but not ballanc'd.

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Journal Parcells for the month of May 1724.

Journal & Leidger comm^{s}. May 1st. 1722. End^{s}. 30 April 1723.

Copy of the Journal Com^{s}. May 1st. 1723. End^{s}. April 30th. 1724.

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Mintmaster reads that Acco^{t}. for last month Ballance remaining Pagodas Forty one and twenty nine Fanams which he pays into Cash and Rupees 340515.13.—. Mint Acco^{t}. for June read.

Richard Benyon Import Wareh^{r}. pays into Cash five thousand six hundred and six Pagodas, thirty three Fanams and seventy Cash for produce of two Chests Ingot Silver weight standard 617 : 4 : 8 sold at fifteen Dollars ℔ 10 Pagodas. lbs. ozs. dwt. The Wareh^{r}. pays in Money for Silver sold.

Henry Crawford Farmer of the Arrack and Wine License pays into Cash three hundred thirty five Pagodas for last month's rent of that Farm. Arrack rent for June paid in.

Capt. Agostinho Bassilio delivers in a Petition of Appeal from a judgment in the Mayors Court as enter'd hereafter which being taken into consideration it Appear'd that Grua went with him to Manilha but dying in the Passage he as Capt. of the Ship took charge of the Goods that the said Grua left which lay in a bale and Chest that he allow'd him, That he opened the Said Goods in presence of his two [Mates] and Vincatty (the Person who now sues him) brother to Servant Grua, that after they came to Manilha He [gave] the said Vencatty ten Pieces of Chints to sell but that he gam'd away the money, that he afterwards gave him [ten] Pieces more but that he did the same with them after [this] he would not trust him with any more and sold the [Pieces] himself of which he delivers in the Acco^{t}. of Sales amount[^{g}.] to Dollars 412. Petition of Appeal of Capt. Bassilio read.

On the other side Vencatty bro^{t}. Merchants to [prove] they sold his Brother Goods to the amount of Pag^{s}. 522 : 1[...] which goods agreeing with the Acco^{t}. taken by Capt. Agostinho as to quantity, he urg'd that it was impossible they should sell for no more than 412 Dollars, to confirm which he further produc'd Acco^{t}. Sales of Sundry Goods sold in Manilha that [year] of the same prices and Species as those sold his Brother by the Merchants aforenam'd amounting to much more, by all which it seem'd unreasonable to suppose that his said Brother['s] Goods produc'd no more than the abovesaid 412 Dollars. Vencatty offers proof.

In answer to this the Capt. urg'd that the s^{d}. Grua had sold to Cojee George 1 Corge of Fine Chints before he went away, to himself 14 P^{s}. and upwards of 50 Pag^{s}. worth of Goods to the Noquedah of the Ship so that the Acco^{t}. of Goods sold him by the Merchants agreeing with the Acco^{t}. of Goods y^{t}. were found in the Bale and Chest would only prove that the said Grua had changed them and put course instead of fine into the Chest and Bale. This was look't upon [as] a supposition not very well founded but the Character of the said Grua who was known to be a Thief having twice robb'd Major Roach in the Voyage he went to Manilha and being guilty of several other vile actions made the Board inclinable to fall in with that supposition. However as it did not appear that Capt. [Bassilio] had fully clear'd himself It was AGREED that he do [deposit] the Sum for which he is sued, in the Mayor's Court [Cash] deducting the amount of a resp^{s}. bond which he paid the said Grua till such time as according to his pro[mise] he] brings [sufficient Proof from Manilha of the Sale of the said Goods. The Cap^{ts}. answer. He to deposit the Sum sued for in the May^{rs}. Court Cash till he gets sufficient Proof of the Sale of the Goods.

N. ELWICK.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
[*Lacuna*].
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

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To the Honble. Nath^ll. Elwick Esqr.
President & Govern^r. of Fort S^t. George &c^a. Council.

The humble Petition of Agostinho Basilio

Sheweth

That a judgment has been given ag^st. your Petitioner in the Mayor's Court in a cause between one Vencatty Plaintiff and himself Defendant relating to some affairs in Manilha which not being satisfactory to him

Y^r. Petitioner therefore humbly prays Y^r. Hon^r. &c^a. will please to hear this Cause and give judgment thereon as to your Hon^r. &c^a. shall seem meet and as in duty bound

Y^r. Petitioner
Shall ever pray &c^a.

17 This evening Nathaniel Turner Esqr. appointed Dep^ty. Govr. of Fort S^t. David set out for that Place, with him went a Letter of this day's date.

18 Ship Petersfield Capt. Stephen Worlidge saild for the West Coast of Sumatra.

Ship Gopaul Bassowanny Paul sail'd for Ganjam.

Ship Barrington Capt. Charles Wybergh sail'd for Pegue.

Sloop Ramah John Smith Master sail'd for Fort S^t. D^d.

Ship Arcot Capitaô Sebastiaô [T]eixera sail'd for Manilha.

21 Rec^d. a Generall Letter from the D. G & C of Fort S^t. David.

At a Consultation

Present

Wednesday the 22^d.

Nathan^ll. Elwick Esqr. Govern^r. Presid^r.
Rich^d. Benyon. John Emmerson. Rand^ll. Fowke.
James Hubbard. George Drake.
M^r. Houghton *absent.*

[Imp^t.] Warek^rs. Acco^t. for [June] read.

Richard Benyon Import Wareh^r. reads his Acco^t. for last month Ballance due from him three [hundred] and seventy nine Pagodas and fourteen Cash [*a few words lost*] thousand three hund^d. Pagoda[s].

Exp^t. Warek^rs. Acco^t. for June read.

Richard Benyon Export Warek^r. reads that Acco^t. for last month Ballance due to him two thousand three hundred and two Pagodas sixteen Fanams and seventy six Cash of which he is now paid two thousand three hundred Pagodas.

Paymastr^s. Acco^t. for June read.

Randall Fowke Paymaster reads that Acco^t. for last month Viz^t.

Charges Garrison	P. 1992	30	20
Charges General	620	27	30
Triplicane Bridge	86	16	—
Godowns at the half Moon B^r.	22	32	15
Charges Cattle	115	13	20
Repairs of Fortifications	20	21	65
Charges extraordinary	19	15	—
House Moveables	9	—	—
Charges diet	583	12	—
Fort S^t. David	10	4	—
Bombay Presidency	40	—	—
Marlbrô Fort	1	—	—
	P^s. 3521	27	70

Ballance due to him two thousand five hundred twenty one Pagodas, twenty seven Fanams and seventy Cash which is now paid him.

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The extraordinary Expence of this month being enquir'd into was found to arise from the following Particulars. Extra: Expence exd.

CHARGES GENERAL.						
repairing y°. state Palanqueen against the arrival of James Macrae Esqr.				P. 28	6	5[0]
TRIPLICANE BRIDGE.						
Materials & Workmen				86	16	—
GODOWNS BY THE HALF MOON BATTERY.						
Materials & Workmen				22	32	15
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY.						
Diet to 11 Prison^rs. as ℔ Mars^ls. note ...	11	—	—			
D°. to 4 West Coast Coffrees	6	—	—			
Gave 2 Soldiers at the Christning of their 2 Children	2	—	—			
Boats bringing ashore the Soldiers from the Monm°.	—	15	—			
				19	15	—
HOUSE MOVEABLES.						
Chairs 1 Doz^n. for the Gard^n. House ...				9	—	—
FORT S^t. DAVID.						
Paid 4 Europe Soldiers that came up hither with M^r. Jennings				10	4	—
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY.						
allowance to M^rs. Cowses's Child^n. ...	15	—	—			
D°. to M^rs. Burton & her Child^n. ...	25	—	—			
				40	—	—
MARLBRÔ FORT.						
paid Corporal Bradley's Wife				1	—	—
				PAGOD^s. 217	1	65

George Drake Storek^r. reads that Acco^t. for last month Ballance due from him six hundred forty five Pagodas twenty Fanams and sixty five Cash which he now pays in. Storekeep^rs. Acco^t. for June read.

There being a large quantity of Madera Wine and Iron in the Godowns it was propos'd to dispose of some Part thereof But the Persian Empire being so much disturb'd and the Ophgoons besieging Shyrash it was RESOLV'D not to sell any Madera yet, it being very unlikely that we should have any Wine from Persia this year & consequently the Price of Madera will rise which is now very low. Madera Wine to be kept.

As for the Iron thô Manilha and Surat being both overstock't yet no other Market being likely to offer for that Commodity It was AGREED to sell some Part thereof at Outcry if it would go so high as nine Pagodas ℔ Candy which the Board are the more induc'd to do because we see no likely hood of its rising for a good while and that we must expect Supplys next year so that we shall by keeping it only increase the quantity without any likely hood of advantage. The Iron to be sold.

THE WAREHOUSEKEEPER reports that hav^e. yesterday summon'd a Sorting, the Cloth prov'd so bad y^t. thô most of the Sorters were there yet of all the Cloth y^t. was offer'd but five bales were taken in. Report of the badness of the Cloth.

He added that in consequence of what was recommended to him by the Board the last Consult^n. but one he had been at some Pains to find out some way to ease the Sorters and Washers and had made the follow^e. remarks. The Warek^rs. remarks on the Investment of Cloth.

THAT the Merchants can always supply the Washers with Cloth faster than they can cure it except there be any impediment by the troubles in the Country. Washers can always be supply'd by the Merchants.

THAT the Merchants are not very uneasy at the quantity of Cloth turn'd out at the Sorting Godown because by its being cur'd they can dispose of it in Town for other Markets at the Company's price or very near it. The Merch^ts. can dispose of it when cur'd and are therefore not uneasy at its being turn'd out.

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the quantity sufficient for the Tonnage will always keep y^e. Washers employ'd.

That if the Merchants deliver'd all the Cloth to the Washers of so good a sortment that little or none was to be turn'd out when it came to be sorted yet the curing a sufficient quantity for the Tonnage would keep the Washers fully employ'd and be perform'd with difficulty.

The Cloth now bro^t. in three parts in four is turn'd out by the Sorters.

That the Cloth now bro^t. from the Washers is in general so very bad and more particularly excepted against since the Complaints rec^d. by the last ships that of the whole quantity sorted the last day three Parts in four were turn'd out and of the other four Parts in five were sorted to N°. 2.

A method must be taken before the delivery of the Cloth to the Washers or else the Tonnage will not be fill'd up.

From this he proceeded to say that if some method be not taken before delivering the Cloth to the Washers, We shall unavoidably fall very short in the quantity necessary to dispatch the Shipping.

Proposal that the Cloth when brown be sorted before the delivery to the Washers.

That as it is necessary to take care the Washers have only such Cloth deliver'd to them as can be receiv'd afterwards for the Company and he propos'd that a sufficient Number of the Under Servants be appointed to sort the Brown Cloth before it be measured to the Washers wch. however is not to be understood otherwise than that the same Care ought and must be taken by the Sorters in the Warehouse after it is cured.

which will oblige the Merch^ts. to bring such Cloth as is fit for the C^os. use.

That by this method the Merchants will be oblig'd for their own Interest to bring such Cloth as is fit for the Company for such as is not will not be cured and what is not cured they will find it difficult to dispose of otherways.

The Merch^ts. reprimanded for bringing in bad Cloth. Persons appointed to the sorting of the Cloth before its delivery to the Washers.

These arguments and Proposals being consider'd and allow'd the Merchants were call'd in and after a severe reprimand for bringing such intolerable Stuff were told that the Board were come to a resolution to have all their Cloth sorted brown before it was deliver'd to the Washers and accordingly they did appoint that the Gentlemen lately order'd to inspect the packing should likewise attend and sort the brown Cloth.

M^r. Shelley delivers in a paper relating to the defiocincy of Pepper at Benoocolen &c^a.

M^r. Peter Shelley delivers in a Paper relating to the deficiency in the Pepper while he was Pepper Godownkeeper at Bencoolen for which a Sum of Money had been attach'd there and some errors said to be in his Acco^ts. for which M^r. Deane had protested two sets of bills of Exchange drawn by himself & Council of Moco Moco on the said Lewis Deane & Council at Bencoolen and ends with a Petition for leave to go home on the Prince Frederick.

There being no Acco^ts. from M^r. Deane concerning this affair but as he has attach'd the money for security, M^r. Shelley is permitted to go home

AGREED that as we have no Acco^ts. relating to these two Articles from M^r. Deane we can go no further and that since he has attach'd the money and protested bills sufficient to the amo^t. of M^r. Shelley's Debt if it appears to be such, We will permit the said Shelley to go home and the rather because he is in a very ill state of health.

M^r. Hubbard to examine into M^r. Shelley's affair.

M^r. Shelley having in this Paper refer'd to M^r. Hubbard for proof of some Particulars AGREED y^t. M^r. Hubbard do examine the merits of what alledg'd by M^r. Shelley and report what he knows of this matter next Consultation.

Head money to the Surgeon of y^e. Monmouth to be paid.

The Surgeon of the Monmouth petitioning for payment of the head money allow'd him for the Soldiers brought out on the Monmouth being thirty one in number, ORDER'D that he be paid the Same.

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Poncala Kisna Tobacco & Beetle Farmer pays into Cash five hundred eighty three Pagodas twelve Fanams for last month's rent of that farm. Tobacco & Beetle rent for June paid.

Ponapa Modelaire pays into Cash one thous^{d}. three hundred ninety five Pagodas being one thousand three hundred and sixty Pagodas for one year's rent of Egmore &c^{a}. Villages due the 30th. June last and thirty five Pagodas for the Cawn Gohee duty of said villages for that time. A years rent of Egmore &c^{a}. Villages paid into Cash.

General Letter from Fort S^{t}. David bearing date the 18th. Instant advising their drafts on us for four thousand Pagodas to Sadashevarrow &c^{a}. four thousand to Tomby Chitty &c^{a}. and inclosing Lists of Wares Stores &c^{a}. necessary for the Service of the Year. Fort S^{t}. David Gen^{ll}. L^{r}. read.

N. Elwick.
Rich^{d}. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

To the Honble. Nath^{ll}. Elwick Esqr.
Presid^{r}. & Govr. of Fort S^{t}. George &c^{a}. Council.

Honble. S^{rs}. &c^{a}.

It is now near six months since I rec^{d}. an answer (from M^{r}. George Torriano) to my last Lett^{r}. to your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. wherein he inform'd me of your resolution concerning my money attach'd at Fort Marlbrô and (the Deputy Govr. & Council there) suffering mine and M^{r}. Patrick Browne's bills of Exchange to be protested after their repeated orders to draw the Same.

If you'll but please to order the Fort Marlbrô Consultations of 20 May and 4°. June 1724 to be perused I dare affirm you'll be convinced that I am not culpable for what damage happen'd that way and that I was clear'd by James Hubbard Esqr. then Supravisor &c^{a}. Council there, you will further see by a Survey that was taken by Messrs. Wilford and Beel that there was no avoiding the Honble. Company's Pepper continuing in the same expos'd manner till a new Godown could be built which was order'd in Consultation on report of the Survey given in and was above seven months,'ere it was capable of receiving any of the Honble. Company's effects.

I beg your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. will consider how hard this is on me to be out of so considerable a Sum for so long a time and the great expence that I have unavoidably been at without getting one single penny.

And as there cannot be a fuller Acco^{t}. of the Pepper affair than what you have in the abovementiond Consultations and what M^{r}. Hubbard may well inform you off I hope you'll please to take it into your Consideration and order me the payment of that money if you still resolve to defer that of the Bills and that you'll please to grant an ord^{r}. for me and my Family to take our Passage on the Prince Frederick for England where I hope shall recover my health which I find I am not able to accomplish in India. I have not to add but that I am

Fort S^{t}. George
20th. July 1724.

Honble. S^{rs}. &c^{a}.
Y^{r}. most Obed^{t}. Hum^{ble}. Servant
Peter Shelley.

The Jesus Maria Joseph Capt. Agostinho Basilio sail'd for Manilha. 23
Ship Jaggernaiculoo Narran Noquedah sail'd for Ganjam. 26
Rec^{d}. a General Letter from Fort S^{t}. David and one from Vizagapatam. 27

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At a Consultation

Present

Tuesday the 28th. Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Governr. President.
Richd. Benyon. John Emmerson. Randall Fowke.
James Hubbard. George Drake. Joseph Houghton.

Sea Custrs. Accot. for June read.

John Emmerson Sea Customer reads that Accot. for last month Vizt.

Custom on Goods exported & imported ...	P. 2045	32	51
Do. on Grain	50	9	56
Anchorage	93	—	—
	P. 2189	6	27

Ballance due from him ten thousand nine hundred thirty five Pagodas sixteen Fanams and seventy nine Cash of which he pays in three thousand Pagodas.

Land Custrs. Ballce. for June paid.

James Hubbard Land Customer pays into Cash five hundred ninety two Pagodas nine Fanams and forty Cash Ballance of his last month's Account.

12 Ps. paid in for part of the Cook room at the Mount house.

Randall Fowke Paymaster pays into Cash twelve Pagodas for a parcell of bricks and Tiles part of the Cookroom at the Mount house which was fallen down.

The Merchts. complain of the Severity of the Sorters and of havg. their Cloth twice sorted.

The Company's Merchants having made great Complaints of the severity of the Sorters and the hardship of having their Cloth twice sorted the Board adjourn'd to the Sorting Godown but upon inspection did not find they were so hardly dealt with as they pretended and told the Merchants that they must expect Still to be us'd in the same manner for that they neither could nor would admit such ordinary Cloth as they then produc'd, Upon this the Merchants said it was not possible for them to provide the quantity contracted for, which occasion'd the Board to threaten them with taking the forfeiture mention'd in the Contract in case of non performance.

The Merchts. allow'd to sort the Brown Cloth themselves provided they answer the end design'd thereby.

From hence we proceeded to the Merchants Godowns to inspect the Brown Cloth lately sorted which we could not observe was any hardship upon them no Pieces having been flung out but what were either very uneven or very thin Cloth however the Merchants promising to sort it themselves very exactly before it was deliver'd the Washers provided they might be allow'd to send what they could not approve up into the Country again. It was Agreed to try and they were told that the Board were willing to indulge them therein but that if when we came to sort the Cloth we found they were not sincere in their promises it would only make us the more severe.

Fort St. David Genll. Lettr. read and

General Letters from Fort St. David and Vizagapatam read the former bearing date the 21st. Instt. advises the arrival of the Depty. Govr. & the twenty thousand Pagodas sent them likewise that they had given orders to the Outguards to keep a strict watch on Accot. of the Armys in the Country and lastly their promise to set heartily to the reducing the expences of that Settlement.

One from Vizagaptam.

The Letter from Vizagapatam is dated the 29o. Ulto. and is cheifly to advise the Proceedings of Coja Gee lately made Deputy Nabob by Mauberize Cawn of that part of the Country as likewise of a combination for lowering the value of the Madrass Pagodas which how ever they say has been prevented by Coja Gee. They likewise promise to send their Books as soon as possible and inclose a list of stores wanting.

N. Elwick.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

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Rec^{d}. a General Letter from the Cheif & Council of Anjengo. 29

Dispatch'd a General Lett^{r}. of this day's date to the D. G & C of Fort S^{t}. D^{d}. 29

Ship Venkatalatchmee Grunadass Noquedah saild to Tenasserry. —

Brig^{t}. Carlisle Capt. Raworth Martin sail'd for Delagoa &c^{a}. —

Brig^{t}. Hannapore Hussen Noquedah sail'd for Ganjam. 31

Rec^{d}. a Gen^{ll}. Lett^{r}. from Bombay directly & one from M^{r}. Phipps singly via Surat.

This morning early came in the Heathcote Capt. Joseph Tolson from Great Brittain by her rec^{d}. a Pacquet from the Honble. Court of Directors. 1

At a Consultation

Present

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Govr. President. Saturday the 1st.
Richard Benyon. John Emmerson. Randal Fowke.
James Hubbard. George Drake. Joseph Houghton.

General Letters from the Honble. Court of Direct^{rs}. ℔ Ship Heathcote read. General Letter from Europe ℔ Heathcote read.

Orders for the Treasure Wares & Stores sign'd. orders sign'd.

Messrs. Benyon, Hubbard & Houghton order'd to survey the Treasure in presence of the Command^{r}. and report the same next Consultation. Treasure to be ex^{d}.

N. Elwick.
Rich^{d}. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

At a Consultation

Present

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Govern^{r}. President. Tuesday the 4th. in the morning.
Rich^{d}. Benyon. John Emmerson. Randall Fowke.
James Hubbard. George Drake. Joseph Houghton.

General Letters read Viz^{t}. General Lett^{rs}.

N°. 94. From the Cheif & Council of Anjengo dated 27°. June to desire we would forward a Pacquet inclos'd for Bombay. [from] Anjengo.

N°. 95. From the Honble. the President & Council of Bombay cheifly to inclose a Protest against the French for what they have done on the Malabar Coast and to desire we will frequently advise what the French are doing that so they may be in a readiness to receive them on the other Coast, they further advise the orders from England relating to M^{r}. George Wyche and others at Surat and some Acco^{ts}. of the Persian affairs. [from] Bombay.

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From Mr. Phipps.

N°. 96. From the Honble. William Phipps Esqr. via Surat to inclose a Pacquet to the Honble. Court of Directors to be forwarded on the Prince Frederick.

Treasure ℔ Heathcote reported.

Messrs. Benyon, Hubbard and Emmerson report the Treasure by the Heathcote to be right as by the report at the end of this Consultation.

rep^t^. of the deficiencys in the Monm^os^. Cargo.

George Drake Storek^r^. delivers in a report of the deficiencys in the Monmouth's Cargo as ℔ Particulars enter'd after this Consultation.

Capt Kemeys call'd [in] orders concerning it.

Capt. Kemeys being call'd in made answer that the Tar was leekd out, the Coales wasted and the Iron rusted and the Cordage dry'd so that he could not pay for those deficiencys, as for the 6 bars of Iron & 68 Cannon Shot he was willing to make them good. Whereupon the Storek^r^. was order'd to charge him with them and endorse the rest on the back of the bill of Lad^s^. and debt Acco^t^. Curr^t^. London for the Same.

Mr. Hubbard delivers in a report of Mr. Shelley's affairs which is read to him.

Mr. Hubbard pursuant to order of Consultation of the 22^d^. Ult^o^. delivers in a report as enter'd at the end of this Consultation relating to Mr. Shelleys affair which no ways tending to prove what Mr. Shelley would have had, he was call'd upon and the said Paper being read to him, he produc'd a copy of a Letter to Mr. Hastings from him relating to the usage he met with and urg'd some things which he had no other proof for than his own Assertion, how ever as this matter is likely to be brought before the Court of Directors in England Mr. Shelley was told that if he had any thing further to urge he might deliver it in writing and if he desir'd it, It should be enter'd in our books upon which he withdrew.

Mr. Philip Tullie order'd to get ready to go to Vizagap^m^.

Mr. Philip Tullie having sometime ago left Fort St. David and come to this Place without leave which upon his promise of not committing the like again was forgiven him and now having a second time done the same he was call'd before the Board, check'd for his fault and told he must go down again thither or else to Vizagapatam both which he for sometime refus'd but at last was peremptorily order'd to get ready to go down to Vizagapatam on the Monmouth as a punishment for his ill behaviour at Fort St. David.

Land Custrs. Acco^t^. for July read.

James Hubbard Land Customer reads that Acco^t^. for last month Viz^t^.

Choultry Customs	P.	372	35	3
Ruby Brokerage		56	17	4
Registring Slaves		—	8	—
	Ps.	429	24	7

Ballance due from him four hundred and eight Pag^s^. twenty eight Fanams and seven Cash.

Cash Acco^t^. for July read.

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. President reads the Acco^t^. of the Honble. Company's Cash for last month Ballance remaining fifteen thousand eight hundred and ten Pagodas, eleven Fanams and forty two Cash.

Money advanc'd to the Merchants on their new Contract

Suncha Ramah & Tomby Chitty requesting money to be advanc'd them on Acco^t^. Goods bro^t^. in upon the new Contract they were offer'd Silver at fifteen Dollars ℔ 10 Pagodas which they at first refus'd but being told it was advanc'd sooner than they could justly demand it, they acquiesc'd & were order'd twenty Chests.

as also on the old Contract.

Suncah Ramah and Ball Chitty likewise Agreed to accept ten Chests on the same terms being so much advanc'd them upon their old Contract.

N. Elwick.
Rich^d^. Benyon
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

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To the Honble. Nath^ll. Elwick Esqr.
Presid^r. & Govr. of Fort S^t. George &c^a. Council.

Honble. S^r. &c^a.

According to your orders I have perus'd the Fort Marlbro Consultations referr'd to by M^r. Shelley in order to clear himself from the charge of 89. 1. 14 of Pepper found to be deficient whilst he was Pepper Godownkeeper there, the Contents of which with what I know of the matter I shall now offer to your Hon^r. &c^t. Consideration. B. [?] [?]

M^r. Shelley happens to make a mistake in quoting a Consultation of the 20th. May 1722, since there was none held that day nor is anything relating to the Pepper Godown taken notice of in any Consultation before the 4° of June following when M^r. Shelley delivers in a paper setting forth that he had been pepper Godownkeep^r. ever since the resetling Bencoolen at which time there was no convenient or safe Place to deposit the Comp^ns. pepper in and that He fear'd the Pepper at the Godown at Bencoolen was liable to be stole away that Godown having been formerly several times robb'd of Ironmonger's ware &c^a. hoping if any damage happen'd that way it would not be imputed to his neglect.

The Godown at that time was full of Pepper and a parcell of old Stores and there was no other Godown that we could put it in had it been remov'd nor had we materials to build a new one but expected the Drake every day from Moco Moco with a loading of Timber and Plank which was the reason of the resolution mention'd in that days Consultation, that the Pepper must of necessity remain there till the Drake's arrival when we should have materials to build a new Godown at the Carrang. Presently after the Drake's arrival we did begin upon a new one and it was carry'd on a considerable way before I left the Coast.

I have no reason to believe the Pepper at the Bencoolen Godown suffer'd any thing by embezlements during my stay at the West Coast a Buggueeze guard was kept close by purely for its Security & I never heard of its being once broke open whilst I was there.

M^r. Shelley mentions a survey taken of that Godown by Messrs. Wilford and Beel but there is nothing ment^d. of any such survey in the Consultations nor was any such made, a Survey was indeed order'd to be taken presently after I arriv'd at the West Coast by Messrs. Burton and Shelley of all the Comp^ns. buildings which was accordingly done and enter'd after the Consultation of the 13° March 1721/2, but it happens unluckily that they there take no notice of this Godown.

I believe M^r. Beel upon his coming to be Pepper godownkeep^r. might have told us that it was impossible to take the remains of the Pepper in the abovem^d. Godown because it was full and there was no other Place to remove it to and as I remember he said it was very foul & he feard there would be some of it damag'd when we came to clear the Godown, but as I have already mention'd it was impossible for us to build another Godown to put it in till the materials came from Moco Moco and all the Care was taken that could be by keeping it in constant repair to hinder any further damage.

M^r. Shelley refers to another representation made by him in Consultation of the 4° of July 1722, but 3 days before I came away from thence upon the delivery of his Storekeep^rs. Acco^ts. in which he sets forth

That at their first setling they had no place of safety to deposit the Company's Goods in. 1st.

That he was seldom acquainted when Goods came ashore and that the Dep^ty. Govr. order'd them sometimes to Capt. Loveday's and other Places as well as to his Godowns. 2dly.

That he had no slave or Servant allow'd him on any Acco^t. except weighing in of the Pepper. 3dly.

These Complaints I took to relate only to the Stores the Acco^t. of which being but then given in there was not time to examine but were sent over hither in the

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manner they were deliver'd and as to the Pepper that being put into a Godown they found standing when they came there I don't see how it was concern'd in that Representation besides he there asserts he had Servants allow'd on Acco^{t}. of the Pepper.

Thus I have inform'd your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. of all that I know or that pass'd in my time relating to this matter by which I think it must appear that M^{r}. Shelley was never clear'd by me of any deficiency that might happen in the Pepper.

All that I can find in M^{r}. Pyke's Cons. of any of the Godowns being broke open is in one of the 19th. July 1721, where it is mention'd that M^{r}. Shelley Storek^{r}. reports that the Storehouse at Oujang Carrang was broke open and several Stores, there set down, were stole which were order'd to be wrote off to Profit and Loss, this M^{r}. Shelley says he is positive was the Godown at Bencoolen thô there said to be at Oujang Carrang. I am

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HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. &C^{A}.
Your most Obed^{t}. Humble Servant

JAMES HUBBARD.

TO THE HON^{BLE}. NATHAN^{LL}. ELWICK ESQ^{R}.
PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}. OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE &C^{A}. COUNCIL.

HON^{RLE}. S^{R}. & S^{RS}.

Upon examining the Stores sent this year ℔ Ship Monmouth I find the following deficiencys in number Viz^{t}.

		bar.	s. d.	£				
TAR		7	@ 19 7	£ 6	17	1	Pagod^{s}. 15	8 27
	ϴ qr. lb.	Bars.						
IRON ...	2 1 —	6	@ 17 7¼	1	19	7¼	4	14 33
		ch. b.						
SEA COALES		2 30½	@ 29 4	4	3	6½	9	10 7
			ϴ qr. lb.					
IRON SHOT		68 Pz.	1 — 21 Viz^{t}.					
3 Pound^{s}. ...		24 Pz.	2 16					
2 D°.		17	1 6					
			s. d.					
			3 22 @ 13 2	£ 0	12	5½		
1 D°.		27	— 27 @ 19 20	—	4	9¼		
Shot ...		68 lb.	1–0–21	—	17	2¾		
							1	32 73
Amounting to £. S. 13 17 5¼								
@ 9^{s} ℔ P.							30	29 60

and of weight and Leakage there are wanting on

	ϴ qrs. lb.	s. d.	£s.	s.	d.			
CORDAGE	5 2 ...	@ 29 8		8	3	2	18 4	53
IRON SHOT	— 1 22½			—	5	1¾	20	47
TAR	4½ Bars.	@ 19 7		4	8	1½	9 28	40
IRON	17 2 4	17 7¼		15	8	7½	34 10	40
							s	
			£s.	28	5	¾	@ 9. 62	28 20

Besides which there were 3 bars of Iron lost by the Boats breaking in the Surff Pz

ϴ. q^{r}. lb.	s.	£.	s.	d.	P. Fa. Ca.
1 1 18	@ 17 7¼ ℔ lb.	£s. 1	—	5 @ 9^{s}. ℔ Pagoda	2 9 53

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HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. & S^{RS}.
Y^{r}. most Obed^{t}. Hum^{ble}. Servt.

GEORGE DRAKE.
Storek^{r}.

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To the Honble. the President & Council
of Fort S^t^. George

Honble. S^rs^. &c^a^.

This morning we opened and examind the forty Chests of Treasure bro^t^. by the Heathcote and find it agree with the Invoice. We are

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Honble. S^rs^. &c^a^.
Y^r^. most Humble Servants

Rich^d^. Benyon.
James Hubbard.
Joseph Houghton.

Tuesday in the afternoon. 4

The Stretham and Aislabie arriving this afternoon from Great Brittain, the Council met but the Ships bringing no Paequets for this Place from Europe and only Letters Invoices and Bills of Lading from Fort S^t^. David for fifty bales on board each Ship they broke up again after agreeing that those bales should remain on board, the Letters are copies one of the other and are dated the 2^d^. Ins^t^. and copy'd in the Letter Book N°. 126.

Serv'd M^r^. George Sitwell with an order to go home. 5

Rec^d^. a General Lett^r^. from the Dep^ty^. Govr. & Council of F^t^. S^t^. D^d^. 6

Dispatch'd a Gen^ll^. Lett^r^. to the Presid^t^. & Council of Bombay. 7

At a Consultation

Present

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Govern^r^. President.
Richard Benyon. John Emmerson. Rand^lp^. Fowke.
James Hubbard. George Drake. Joseph Houghton.

Friday the 7th

General Letter from Fort S^t^. David N°. 127 dated the 4°. of this month read inclosing copy of their Letter by Ships Stetham and Aislabie and 2^d^. bill of Lading for the Goods on board those Ships. They therein acknowledge the receipt of Copys of the orders from Europe relating to their Settlement & promise due obedience to them, complain of the Cloth brought in by the Merchants and advise what methods they use to better it and inclose their Cash and Merch^ts^. Acco^ts^. which having been deliver'd to the Accomptant to examine he reports them to be right, and accordingly Suncha Ramah's Ballance being nine thousand seven hundred and seventy Pagodas four Fanams and forty Cash is order'd to be paid.

Fort S^t^. David Genl. Lett^r^. read.

Contents of it.

Rough Draft of the General Letter to the Hon^bls^. Court of Directors design'd by the Prince Frederick read and Agreed and the Secretary is Order'd to get it ready for signing.

rough draft of the Lett^r^. design'd for Europe by Prince Frederick.

Petition of M^r^. George Sitwell as enter'd after this Consultation read setting forth that the Secretary had by order from the Board inform'd him he must prepare for Europe, that having been always observant of and obedient to the orders and rules of the Company he believes the order from the Court of Directors for his return to England must proceed from wrong informations given them and not any misbehaviour in him, concluding with a request for leave to stay twelve months longer in India in order to settle his affairs.

Petition of Mr George Sitwell read.

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He to attend next Consultation.

This matter being for some time debated, It was urg'd that the Companys orders were positive for his return and therefore must be comply'd with, however as he seem'd to insist upon the twelve months time allow'd him by the Indentures to prepare for Europe he should attend next Consultation to see if he had any thing to urge why this order should not be immediately put in execution and whether we were to observe the Letter of the Indenture and permit him to stay twelve months here.

Mr. Emmerson pays in money for bills of Exchange on the Court of Directors.

Mr. John Emmerson pays into Cash Pags. two thousand four hundred eighty nine Pagodas and thirty six Cash for 1st. 2d. & 3d. bill of Exchange of this days date payable at two months sight and eight Shillings for a Pagoda by the Honble. Court of Directors for Affairs of the Honble. United English East India Company to the order of Mr. John Bedwell.

Petition of Appeal of Sheik Mahomad Isaack read.

Sheik Mahomud Isaack's Petition of Appeal from a judgment in the Mayors Court in a Cause between himself and Amerose Nina Tauker read and enterd after this Consultation setting forth that one Colluch Doud Cawn had taken up money for which he was security, that the Ship upon wch. the said money was taken up was unhappily lost, but that notwithstanding the said Loss the said Amerose Nina Tauker had sued and recover'd the said bond by judgment from the Worspl. the Mayor's Court and that therefore he pray'd a rehearing of his Cause before this board, He thinking there was no reason he should pay the Same which he hop'd to make fully appear.

Amerose Nina Tauker Defendt. call'd upon and inform'd thereof, his answer.

Amerose Nina Tauker being call'd upon & inform'd of the Appeal urg'd for himself that having several times Lent money upon respondentia to the Moors he had frequently lost his money by their staying in Bengall and never returning to this Place in order therefore to avoid such evil Practices he had drawn his bond payable on the Ship on which the sd. Colluch Doud Cawn should return and took security for the Same, adding another clause wherein it was AGREED that if he the said Colluch Doud Cawn shou'd not return then the risque to cease and the Bond to become due, That the said Colluch Doud Cawn did not return and that therefore he humbly conceiv'd he was intituled to the Principal and respondentia.

Mahomd Isaack's reply thereto.

On the other hand Mahomud Isaack urg'd that the Ship sunk at an Anchor in the River of Bengall before Hughly that the said Colluch Doud Cawn was coming on the Ship and was to have gone on board the next day and that his the sd. Md. Isaack's Brother Ahomud Cawn to whom the goods belonging to Colluch Doud Cawn were consign'd for his the said Mahomud Isaack's better security had wrote to him the said Mahomud Issack that he had sent by Colluch Dond Cawn the returns for the Goods brought thither by the said Colluch Doud Cawn which Letter he produc'd and it is enter'd hereafter.

He is told that he must prove that Colluck Doud Cawn was coming upon the ship the Bond runs upon, who produces Two Persons and they declare it.

It appearing by the said Letter that the Goods were on board the Ship but the bond running upon such Ship as the said Colluch Doud Cawn shd. come upon he was told that if he did not prove that the said Colluch Doud Cawn was actually to come upon the Same Ship he must pay the bond, he thereupon call'd two Persons by name Shaek Mahommud Amjan and Chodu Cawhn who both declar'd they were coming upon the Ship and that Colluch Doud Cawn was to have come along with them and had put his Necessarys on board for the Voyage.

They to be sworn upon the Alcoran.

These two Persons being Mahometans it was Agreed they should be sworn upon the Alcoran against next Consultation.

N. ELWICK.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

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To the Honble. Nath^ll^. Elwick Esqr.
Presid^t^. & Govr. of Fort S^t^. Geo^k^. &c^a^. Council.

The Humble Petition of Mahomud Isaac.

That your Petitioner and one Collock Doud Cawn jointly took up of Ameraus Tauker the Sum of two hund^d^. Pagodas at respondentia and gave him a bond for the Same the risque of said Principal and respondentia to run upon Peer Cawn's Ship nam'd Cauda bux to Bengall and on any other Ship he the said Collock Doud Cawn should take his Passage on back to this Port of Madrass but in case the abovenam'd Collock Doud Cawn should have remain'd that Season at Bengall then y^r^. Petitioner was to have answer'd the Principal and respondentia here and the s^d^. Ameraus Tauker to have run no further risque. Now your Petitioner accordingly sent Collock Doud Cawn on s^d^. Peer Cawn's Ship down to Bengall to his Brother Augumud Cawn to provide Goods for the s^d^. Collock Doud Cawn which he did and they were laden on board the aforesaid Ship together with the Goods of sev^ll^. other Persons but before they were ready to come on board the said ship was lost in the River & the whole Cargoe lost upon which the other Persons had their bond return'd as likewise had your Petitioner from the Persons he was concern'd with except from the afores^d^. Amaraus Tauker he insisting the risque was not on the bottom of the Ship but on Colluck Doud Cawn's Person, the bond being in Malabars your Petitioner neither understanding either Jentues or Malabars referr'd the drawing up of the bond to the aforesaid Ameraus Tauker your Petitioner having a good Character of him but was deceiv'd and in case as the said Ameraus Tauker pretends that the risque is on the Person the aforesaid Collock Doud Cawn and not on the bottom of the Ship the abovemention'd article of Doud Cawn returning on said Ship or any other Ship to this Port he should think fit and in case the said Doud Cawn did not return that Season the said Ameraus Tauker was to run no risque but your Petitioner was to pay both Principal and respondentia makes that article on Collock Doud Cawn's Person void and of no effect [as] the said Ameraus Tauker pretends is mentioned in the bond for its very plain in case the said Doud Cawn had deceas'd before the arrival of said Ship here in case she had not been lost that the said Ameraus Tauker after the arrival of said Ship here would have expected your Petitioner to have paid the Principal and respondentia or else have seiz'd on the said Goods aboard, if so why does he pretend the risque run on the aforesaid Doud Cawn's Person.

Y^r^. Petitioner has sufficient Witnesses to prove that the respondentia Goods were laden on board the said Peer Cawn's Ship and were lost, Y^r^. Petitioner has likewise a Letter to produce which he rec^d^. from his Brother Augamud that the Goods were also shipt on board.

This affair may it please your Hon^r^. &c^a^. has been represented in Court already before the Worsp^ll^. Bench with the Witnesses but they were not examin'd and was given against your Petitioner in behalf of the Plaintiff for want of a strict examination. Therefore your Petitioner has made bold to trouble your Hon^r^. &c^a^. with this affair hoping your Hon^r^. &c^a^. will examine into it and do your Petit^r^. justice and that your Hon^r^. &c^a^. will also examine the Witnesses and as in duty bound shall ever pray.

Translate of a Letter from Ahom^d^. Cawn to his Brother Mahomud Isaack.

Dear Brother,

I rec^d^. by sev^ll^. English Ships ℔ sev^ll^. Persons Viz^t^. Assumaree, Assaddulau Collock Doud Cawn, Mahomud Bouker, Bullaukee Adjom, the rupees you sent by them which I thank God I rec^d^. and likewise rec^d^. the bulse of Rubies and Ruby Rings by Asaudalau Mahomud Baukerru but have not rec^d^. the 14 rupees as mention'd in your Letter the which you inclosed in a bulse of Rahamundu Cawn's which you sent by Adjumary and Bulloke Adjom which I desire you'll recover and

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deliver to Adjumary and have according to your desire bought the Goods and sent to you and also sold 40 of the largest Rings you sent for 240 Rup^{s}. and 19 bulse of rubies for 425$\frac{3}{8}$ rupees the whole amounting to 665$\frac{3}{8}$ wch. is all I have sold out of which I paid 14 rupees Brokerage then there remains 651$\frac{3}{8}$. the whole I laid out in Raw Silk calld Commaurau Calle and sent it you by Sacassadalau and Collock Doud Cawn laden on Peer Cawn's Ship, and according to your order return'd the remaind^{r}. which was 4 bulses of rubys and 3 rings by the said Sacassddalau and Collock Doud Cawn on the aforesaid Peer Cawn's Ship which I hope you'll receive & have sent a list of what Goods by the s^{d}. Persons aforementioned and desire you will pay the Same to whom due as soon as received, the Goods are Bannaut, Patcha Landarau & Saulgo Daustoo that remain'd in my Custody which I sold for 90 rupees and the charges &c^{a}. amounted to 7$\frac{3}{4}$ rup^{s}. then there rem^{ss}. when deducted from the 90.8$\frac{2}{4}$ which I laid out in Sidubought Silk Cloth and have sent it by Sa Cassadaula and Collock Doud Cawn laden on the s^{d}. Peer Cawn's Ship which beg you will be pleas'd to receive on Acco^{t}. of the respondentia money and upon our own Acco^{t}. together with the rings Rubies &c^{a}. sold have laid out in Raw Silk Sumatue Rasum Dawaddo Purroo Commorrow Cottee Cloth and Siedu bought Silk Cloth the which is made up in 6 bales all laden aboard the s^{d}. Peer Cawn's Ship ℔ Sa Cassadaula and Collock Doud Cawn and have return'd the remainder of your Rubys 4 bulse and 3 rings unsold by the aforesaid Persons Sa Cassadalau &c^{a}. and have sent a list of the Goods laden on board by the same Persons which when you receive may pay to whom due and likewise have return'd the bond and Letter of Attorney on Acco^{t}. of Augurrahim by the said Persons, for Augurrahim is deceas'd the which I desire you'll deliver to the Owner.

And I also sent laden (by Adjumarrew) on Siedo Jellalew's Ship one bale of Raw Silk it being on Acco^{t}. the rupees you sent me by Adjumarrew and Bullakee Adjumong and another bale upon adventure from Coja Abdull Raheman and another upon D^{o}. from Coja Fagellou Vasake Mahomud Ismael which I desire you will be pleas'd to receive and as soon as you have rec^{d}. them that you will be as speedy of disposing of Coja Abdull Reheman's Silk as possible and send the rupees the first opportunity, as to your own Goods the disposal as you please your self and as for the bale of Cojee Fagellou Vosake Mahomud Ismael, I desire you'd deliver to Sheik Mahomud A Mee there which is to his Care and I have also sent a list of said Goods laden on the aforesaid Siedo Jellal's Ship with 3 P^{s}. Gursbousoudee and one P^{s}. of Surraband which is 4 P^{s}. I send by Abbeju Cawn Jerrenue and desire you'll receive them of him and let Me Allum Sahib have one of Garbousoudar P^{s}. the other two is for your self. And about the Horse you wrote me it is a thing impossible to procure so soon as you expect but if you'll let the money remain in my hands for a 12 m^{o}. I'll assure you a good horse, Therefore no horse is as yet bo^{t}. and if so you will, let it be, will send you one the next Season, I have sent you for your own use the following things Viz^{t}. Cloth, fine rice bags, Tobacco and preserv'd Ginger by the afores^{d}. Cassadalla and Collock Doud Cawn, if you intend to send any rupees desire they may be sent the first opportunity because it is impossible to procure good Goods too late in the Season and will also be dear therefore don't fail the first opportunity and send them by Adjumarry, for if you send the money early, it will give me an opportunity of going into the Country of buying them soon and cheaper, Therefore I'll say no more about it and likewise if you send any rubys let them be also early for then I can the better dispose of them. I have rec^{d}. no Letter from our Country Buttino but have now sent thither by Pattamar and as soon as I have rec^{d}. an Answer shall acquaint you what News.

I recommend to you one Adjuja Cawn and desire you'll assist him in what may tend to his advantage and shall take it as a favour as much as done to my self and must again intreat you'll serve him. I have sent you by Siedo Jellall's Ship two bags of rice, one bag of Wheat, one bag of Gram & one Jar of Butter which I desire you'll accept of from your Brother.

AHOMUD CAWN.

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To the Honble. Nathan^ll. Elwick Esqr.
Presid^t. & Govr. of Fort S^t. George &c^a. Council.

The Petition of George Sitwell

Humbly Sheweth

That on the 5th. Ins^t. your Petitioner rec^d. a paper sign'd by your Secretary informing him that the Court of Directors for the Affairs of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies have by their Letter ℔ Ship Heathcote order'd your said Petitioner to repair to England on the first Ship that shall go from hence after such receipt, which order he your Petitioner (permit him to say) cannot but think Severe and the more so since he can with great truth affirm that he has been so far from breaking thrô any of the rules and orders of the said Company or from violating the obligation he lies und^r. as a Free Merchant that on the contrary he has ever paid the utmost deference to them in the course of all his Actions and proceedings as a trader and as one that lives under the Company's Protection should do and no more he presumes can in reason be requir'd or expected. Y^r. Petitioner after such a behaviour to lie under the displeasure of the said Court of Direct^rs. is what gives him no small Concern and he cannot but conjecture (since he stands charg'd with no crime) that the order abovementioned proceeds either from a wrong information and which may create a prejudice than from any other Cause.

Your Petitioner therefore humbly prays that your Hon^r. &c^a. Council would please to give him leave to stay here in Fort S^t. George twelve months longer from the Date hereof in order to settle his affairs as being agreeable not only to the Indenture given him by the Company but as he conceives to equity & justice. And your Petitioner is therefore in reason persuaded that his prayer if granted will not be disagreeable to the said Court of Directors.

August the 7°. 1724.

Arriv'd the Sloop Ramah Joseph Smith from Fort S^t. D^d. 7

Sign'd an order to the Master of the Ramah to send ashore the Bales. 8

Rec^d. a General Letter from Vizagapatam and one from Ingeram. —

Ship Nabeemadut Sheick Amanut arr^d. from S^t. Thome. 9

Sail'd the Monmouth Capt. Reginald Kemeys Comm^r. for Vizagapatam and Bengall, by her sent General Letters to each Place dated the 7°. Ins^t. on her M^r. Sands Davis and M^r. Philip Tullie took their Passage. —

At a Consultation

Present

Nathan^ll. Elwick. Esqr. Govr. President. Monday
Rich^d. Benyon. John Emmerson. Rand^ll. Fowke. the 10th.
James Hubbard. George Drake. Jos. Houghton.

General Letters Read Viz^t.

N°. 128 From the Dep^ty. Govr. & Council of Fort S^t. David dated the 6°. Instant inclosing Inv^o. and Bill of Lading for bales on board the Ramah Sloop and desiring we would send them a Surgeon. Fort S^t. David Gen^ll. L^r. read.

N°. 129. From the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam dated the 5°. of July advising the receipt of a box of Treasure for Ingeram and their having forwarded it to that Residency and likewise that M^r. Symonds had accepted y^e. bill of one thousand Pagodas payable to them. In their Letter came inclos'd their Acco^t. Cash for the month of June. From Vizagapatam

N°. 130 From John Blunt Esqr. Resident at Ingeram giving a large Acco^t. of his Transactions with Coja Gee about the Settlement at Ingeram and inclosing his Acco^t. for May and June. From Ingeram

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arrack rent for July paid in.

Henry Crawford Farmer of the Arrack & Wine License pays into Cash three hundred thirty five Pagodas for last month's rent of that Farm.

Capt. Hayne's of the Prince Frederick petitions for an advance of Charter party money.

Capt. Haynes Command^{r}. of the Prince Frederick being upon his departure and wanting money for the Expence of the Ship delivers in a request as enter'd after this Consultation for three thousand Pagodas affirming he had rec^{d}. no money upon his Charter party & was so much out of Pocket upon which the Charter party being overlook'd it was found that after the 1st. of January 1722 the Capt. might demand three hundred Dollars for every hundred Tons and after the 31st. of January 1723 the Sum of three hundred Pounds for every hundred Tons and he affirming he never rec^{d}. any money upon Acco^{t}. of his Charter party nor those who had the Command of her before him and likewise the Presid^{t}. & Council of Bombay not having advis'd us of their paying any money upon such Acco^{t}. it was propos'd to pay the money demanded but then on the other hand it being probable if not reasonable to suppose it had been paid on the other Coast it was after some Consideration Resolv'd to pay no more upon that Acco^{t}. than what he could prove to have been laid out at this Port which resolution he was made acquainted with and deliver'd in an Acco^{t}. Particulars of the disbursements for ship P: Frederick with his vouchers for the same amounting to the Sum of nine hundred seventy five Pagodas thirty one fanams and forty Cash as enter'd hereafter which money was Order'd to be paid him.

Ps. 975. 31. 40 paid him.

Sheik Mahomud's Petition of Appeal again consider'd of. The oaths of 2 persons taken before the Presid^{t}. produc'd translated.

The Petition of Appeal deliver'd in by Sheik Mahomud being again taken into Consideration, the two Witnesses appear'd and their oath taken the 10th. Ins^{t}. before the President in the Moor's Language and upon the Alcoran were produc'd Translated by the sworn Interpreter being the same purport as their declaration last Consultation day which are Order'd to be enterd after this Consultation.

Mahomud Issack offering his oath y^{e}. the Lett^{r}. came from Ahomud Cawn

The Letter produc'd before the Board last Consultation day said to come from Ahomud Cawn not being sign'd it was disputed whether it came from him or not to which Mahomud Issack said he had lost the Cover on which the name was but that it came from him of which he was ready to take his oath.

agreed to take it.

It being a known Custom among the Moors to write their Letters on one P^{s}. of paper & after role them up in another which is pasted together & their name stamp'd upon the joyning of such Cover it was Agreed to take his Oath thereto.

M^{r}. Sitwell attends the Board and his Petition is again considerd of.

M^{r}. George Sitwell attending the Board his Petition was again taken into Consideration and he was told that we did not see sufficient reason from his Petition not to put the Company's orders in execution and therefore were willing to hear what he had more to say to prevent it to which he reply'd that we must All be Sensible he had continued a great while at this Place & must consequently have dealings in most parts of India, that he had debts owing to him in many Places and likewise ow'd money in several himself that not having expected such a Censure from the Honble. Company he had not adjusted his Acco^{ts}. as he might otherwise have done of the truth of which he did not doubt the Board were fully convinc'd, that it would be a very great loss to him and a great Injury to his Credit to be oblig'd to leave such matters to be adjusted after his departure and that he desird y^{e}. Board to consider that in the Season now com^{e}. on it was impossible for him to finish his Affairs & therefore he hopd they would allow the time appointed in his Indentures for him to make up his Acco^{ts}. and prepare himself which he added he was the more apt to believe we would do because the Company having in those Indentures allow'd him such a time it appear'd plain they thought it necessary he should have so much granted him. After which he withdrew

He replys to the question put to him.

He is permitted to stay the time desir'd in his Petition Because That

The above allegations being duely consider'd it was Agreed to allow the time M^{r}. Sitwell desird to prepare himself for Europe for the following reasons.

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1ST. THAT we are all of us convinc'd that he cannot be suppos'd to finish his affairs so as to leave them in any tolerable order in less time. his affairs will require that Time

2DLY. THAT THE INDENTURES give him such a time and we conceive that it may be prejudicial to the Company's Affairs to break ym. Mr. Sitwell affirming that it cannot be prov'd he hath ever broke his Part and we none of us being able to prove he hath. That the Indentures give it him

3DLY. THAT in this year next ensuing he being only to prepare himself to go home will not have opportunitys of injuring the affairs of our Honble. Masters or of employe. any Sums of money at Sea more than what is already abroad. & that as he is to prepare for Europe, it will not be prejudicial to the Cos. affairs.

N. ELWICK.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

TO THE HONBLE. NATHLL. ELWICK ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVERNOUR &Cs. COUNCIL.

HONBLE. SR. & SRS.

Upon my coming to the Command of Ship Prince Frederick I found my self under a necessity of providing her with Provisions Stores &ca. which being ever since the 10th. of September last I am in disburse for her near the Sum of three thousand Pagodas and not having taken any thing at Bombay I request your Honr. &ca. will be pleas'd to let me have the said Sum of three thousand Pagodas it being within the Sum allow'd by Charterparty. I am

FORT St. GEORGE
10TH. AUGST. 1724.

HONBLE. SR. & SRS.
Yr. most Obedt. Humble. Servt.
WILLIAM HAYNES.

DISBURSEMENTS FOR SHIP PRINCE FREDERICK AT FORT St. GEORGE.

To 42 Water boats @ Pa. 1.18 ea.	Pags. 63	—	—
To 45 bags of Gram	38	—	—
To 3 Garse of Paddy	48	—	—
To 8 Duppers of Gee qt. 2 Candy	43	—	—
To 4 Garse of rice @ 37 Pags. ea.	148	—	—
To Salt Fish	36	18	—
To Vinegar	10	—	—
To Lamp Oyl	10	18	—
To Paint	10	—	—
To Oyl for Do.	10	—	—
To Bisket	30	—	—
To 2 Candy of Sugar	18	—	—
To Gunny bags for rice & Paddy	18	—	—
To 30 hogs	45	—	—
To Fowles, Greens &ca.	60	—	—
To Cows from the Steward	115	—	—
To Boat hire and Cooley hire	25	—	—
To 3 barrels of Tar from Mr. Hubbard	24	—	—
To 2 Do. from Capt. Newsham	10	—	—
To 15 Maunds of Bengall Candles	51	24	—
To 3 Do. of Madrass	8	—	—
To Mr. Drake's bill for Cordage &ca.	56	23	30
To Mr. Oadham's bill for 38½ Ps. of Dungaree	14	25	—
To 4 Month's house rent	40	—	—
To Powder 5 barrels	42	31	10
	Pagods. 975	31	40

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We do hereby certify that Capt. Haynes produc'd Vouchers for the above charges all but the Hogs and greens for wch. he said he had sent the Boat notes and receipts aboard.

WILLIAM HAYNES.

GEORGE TORRIANO.
JOHN LAUDER.

We Sheik Mahomud Amjad and Chodu Cawn do declare that Callick Doud Cawn did lade on board Ship Cauderbux belonging to Peer Cawn several Bales of Raw Silk Provisions &c^{a}. with intention himself to come upon the said Vessell for this Port We likewise being determin'd to accompany him in the Passage but was prevented by a violent Storm that sunk the Vessell on the 20th. of January in the year 1719 & lost all the Goods she had on board, to the truth of this our declaration we do hereunto set our hands in Fort S^{t}. George this 8th. day of August 1724.

Translated ℔ Paupa Braminy

Taken verbatim from the Translater by me

CHARLES FLEETWOOD.

Jurat Coram me
Decimo Die Augusti 1724.
NATH^{LL}. ELWICK
Gubernatore.

10 Arriv'd the Sunderland Capt. William Hutchinson from Great Brittain, by her rec^{d}. a Pacquet from the Honble. Court of Directors.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 10TH. IN Y^{E}. AFTERNOON.

NATHANIEL ELWICK ESQ^{R}. GOVERN^{R}. PRESID^{T}.
RICH^{D}. BENYON. JOHN EMMERSON. RAND^{LL}. FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE. JOS: HOUGHTON.

Gen^{ll}. Lett^{r}. from Europe ℔ Sunderland read.

The Sunderland arriving this afternoon, General Letter by her from the Honble. Court of Directors was read ; after which

orders sign'd for the Military &c^{a}.

Orders to the Capt. for the Military Treasure Wares and Stores on board her were sign'd.

Persons appointed to examine the Treasure.

ORDER'D that Messrs. Benyon, Hubbard and Houghton with the Capt. do examine the Treasure and report the same.

N. ELWICK.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

12 Ship Nabeemadut Sheik Amanut sail'd for Bengall.

— The Prince Frederick (belonging to the Honble. Comp^{a}.) Capt. William Haynes Comm^{r}. sail'd for Great Brittain, by her sent a Gen^{ll}. Lett^{r}. to the Honble. Court of Direct^{rs}.

— The Aislabie (belonging to D^{o}.) Capt. Henry Wilson sail'd for Bengall, by her forwarded a General Letter.

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The Deane Frigat Capt. Robert Turpin arr^{d}. fro. Bussero. 13

Rec^{d}. ℔ Cossid General Letters from Bengall & Vizag^{m}. 14

Ship Mahomud Survaree Woolly Doud Cawn sail'd for Beng^{ll}. —

Dispatch'd a General Letter to Fort S^{t}. David. 15

The Stretham (belonging to the Honble. Company) Capt. George Westcott Comm^{r}. sail'd for Bengall. —

The Sloop Ramah Joseph Smith sail'd for Fort S^{t}. D^{d}. —

The Margaret Ann Capt. W. West arriv'd from Bussero. 16

At a Consultation

Present

Nathan^{LL}. Elwick Esq^{R}. Gov^{R}. Presid^{T}.		Tuesday the 18TH.
Rich^{D}. Benyon.	John Emmerson.	
Rand^{LL}. Fowke.	James Hubbard.	
George Drake.	Jos : Houghton.	

Richard Benyon Export Warehousek^{r}. reads that Acco^{t}. for last month Ballance due from him five hundred forty seven Pagodas fifteen Fanams and seven Cash. Exp^{t}. Warek^{rs}. Acco^{t}. for July read.

Richard Benyon Import Warehousek^{r}. reads that Acco^{t}. for last month Ballance due from him four thousand four hundred fifty five Pagodas fifteen Fanams and seventy five Cash of which he now pays in four thousand Pagodas. Imp^{t}. Warek^{s}. Acco^{t}. for July read.

Messrs. Benyon, Hubbard & Houghton deliver in their report of the Treasure rec^{d}. ℔ Ship Sunderland which is all agreeable to the Invoice. This report is enterd after Consultation as is likewise one deliver'd in by Messrs. Drake, Powney & Murray about the Europe Cordage rec^{d}. this year which proves most of it very bad. Report of the Treasure ℔ Sunderland d^{d}. in as also of the Europe Cordage.

Richard Benyon Accomp^{t}. reads the Journal Parcells for the month of June. J^{o} : Parcells for June read.

General Letters read Viz^{t}. General Lett^{rs}.

N°. 131. From the Honble. the President & Council of Fort William bearing date the 23^{d}. June relating to the Southgate which Ship was seiz'd by the French last year on the Malabar Coast and advising the Proceedings of the Ostenders in Bengall who have lately engag'd in a war with the Moors but their General being kill'd it is thought the war is over ; They add that M^{r}. Courtney having deserted Fort William was gone to the Ostenders and desire us if he comes within our Jurisdiction to seize him. From Bengall.

N°. 132. From the Cheif & Council of Vizagapatam dated the 23^{d}. Ult^{o}. to inclose the aforementioned Letter in which they tell us they hope to have three hund^{d}. bales ready by the beginning of September. From Vizagap^{m}.

The Warehousekeep^{r}. demanding one thousand Pagodas to advance the Dyers for the blue Cloth, Order'd that it be paid him. 1000 P^{s}. adv^{d}. the Warek^{r}. for Dying of Blue Cloth.

He likewise informs the Board that there is a great want of Lead in this Place having sent almost all we rec^{d}. last year to the Bay expecting a supply this, of which we are disappointed. There being a want of Lead

Agreed therefore to write to the Bay for one hundred Candys of that Commodity. 100 Candy to be wrote for from the Bay.

Poncala Kisna Tobacco & Beetle Farmer pays into Cash five hundred eighty three Pagodas twelve Fanams for one months rent of that Farm. Beetle & Tobacco rent for July paid in.

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Hendrick Johnson and Thomas Way Surveyrs. of the Buildings dismiss'd the Service.

The Letters from the Honble. Company by this year's Ships being again taken into Consideration, It was resolv'd to dismiss from the end of this month Hendrick Johnson and Thomas Way Surveyors of the buildings who stand under the head of Particular Persons at ten Pagodas ℔ mensem each.

Eason a Soldier entd. upon the Pensioner's List

&

[W] Cross discharg'd.

One Eason who has long serv'd the Compa. as a Soldier having lost his Eye sight in the Service and being thereby incapable of serving them any longer in that employ

Order'd that he be discharg'd & enter'd on the Pensioner's roll.

William Cross being order'd in the Letter by the Sunderland to be discharg'd he is accordingly dismiss'd the Service.

Ordrs. relating to the Military proceeded [on].

The Company's orders relating to the Military being next proceeded on the President acquainted the Board that he had resolv'd to disband several of the worst of the Topasses forthwith and that he would order the Mayor to deliver in a list of the Garrison as it now stands branch'd out into the Sevl. Particulars in order for their better reviewing them.

The Bd. proceed to examine the affair of the Cloth.

The Board then proceeded to examine what must be done about the Cloth and after havs. sometime consider'd the improbability of filling all the Ships it was debated whether we would take in any Cloth as No. 3 or let one Ship remain in the Country, after having spent a good deal of time therein It was Resolv'd to keep strictly to our Contract and to oblige the Merchants to an exact Complyance with the same.

The Storekeepr. permitted to hire a Godown to put the Cordage &cs. in.

The Storekeepr. desiring leave to hire a Godown not having room on Accot. of the large quantitys of Cordage and other bulky Goods

Agreed that he be permitted to do it till such time as he can have made room in the old ones.

N. Elwick.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

To the Honble. Nathanll. Elwick Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. of Fort St. George &cA. Council.

Honble. Sr. &cA.

In Obedience to your orders of the 1st. of Last month We have examin'd the Europe Cordage sent out this year ℔ Ship Monmouth and find it all in general to be very bad and especially the small ropes occasion'd by the New England Tar which has quite burnt up the Hemp. We are

Fort St. George
Augst. yr. 18th. 1724.

Honble. Sr. &cA.
Your most Obedt. Humble Servts.
George Drake.
John Powney.
David Murray.

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To the Honble. Nathan^l. Elwick Esqr.
Presid^t. and Govern^r. of Fort S^t. Geo^k. &c^a. Council.

Honble. S^rs. &c^a.

The Treasure receiv'd by the Sunderland having been examin'd, is found to agree with the Invoice. We are

Fort S^t. George
12°. Aug^st. 1724.

Honble. S^rs. &c^a.
Yo^r. most Humble Servants
Richard Benyon.
James Hubbard.
Joseph Houghton.

Dispatch'd a General Letter to Fort S^t. David. 20

Dispatch'd ℔ Pattamar a General Letter to Tellicherry. —

Rec^d. a Genl. Lett^r. from Vizagapatam with their Books. 21

Arriv'd the Young Derby Brigantine (belonging to the Honble. Company) Capt. Oliver Stewart from Fort Marlbrô, by her rec^d. a General Letter. 23

At a Consultation

Present

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Govern^r. President.
Rich^d. Benyon. John Emmerson. Randall Fowke.
James Hubbard. George Drake. Joseph Houghton.

Sunday the 23rd.

General Letter from the Cheif & Council of Vizagapatam N°. 133 bearing date the 31st. of last month accompanying their General Books & Cash Acco^ts. to this day.

General Letters From Vizagapat^m.

N°. 134. General Letter from the West Coast ℔ Young Derby dated the 16°. July inclosing Invoice & Bill of lading for Guns and Anchors on board that Vessell and advising their having dispatch'd the Swallowfield for England and that the George Brigantine was to leave Bencoolen in short time with M^r. Macrae.

From the West Coast.

Petition of M^r. Thomas Wendey Executor to the estate of Francis Hastings Esqr. read desiring an ord^r. for the Sale of some houses mortgag'd to him by Mar Kisna on Acco^t. of his debt to the estate of the said Francis Hastings Esqr.

Petition of M^r. Thos. Wendey read, desire. an order for the Sale of some Houses mortgag'd to him by M. Kisna.

Order'd that the Secretary do affix a note at the Sea Gate advising the Sales of the s^d. Houses on Tuesday the 1st. of September next.

the Secry. to affix a note at the Sea Gate to advise the Sale of them.

N. Elwick.
Rich^d. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

To the Honble. Nathl. Elwick Esqr.
Presid^t. and Govr. of Fort S^t. Geo^k. &c^a. Council.

The humble Petition of Thos. Wendey in behalf of the estate of F. Hastings Esqr.

Humbly Sheweth

That your Petitioner did sometime ago receive a mortgage bond from Mar Kisna as a Security for part of his debt to the Estate of the said Francis Hastings Esqr.

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and not finding him complying with the said obligation your Petitioner now begs leave of the Honble. Board who have undertaken the said Mar Kisna's affairs to dispose of the effects mention'd in the s^d. Mortgage bond and your Petitioner as in duty bound

SHALL EVER PRAY.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 24TH. — NATHANIEL ELWICK ESQ^R.^ GOVERN^R.^ PRESID^T.^
RICH^D.^ BENYON. JOHN EMMERSON. RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE. JOS: HOUGHTON.

Bills of Exch^s.^ on the Court of Directors sign'd.

1. 2. 3^d.^ bills of Exchange of this days date on the Hon^bie.^ Court of Directors sign'd payable at two months sight to the order of Thomas Stevens value of William Ferquharson for Pagodas one thousand and eighty four and twenty three Fanams at eight Shillings ℔ Pagoda.

Paym^rs.^ Acco^t.^ for July read.

Randall Fowke Pay master reads his Acco^t.^ for the last month Viz^t.^

Charges Garrison	P.	2154	1 40
Charges General		615	8 —
Triplicane Bridge		53	17 —
Godowns by the half Moon Bat^ry.^ ...		24	4 10
Charges Cattle		129	22 70
Repairs of Fortifications		45	4 50
Fort St. David		77	19 60
Bengall Presidency		4	24 50
Charges extraordinary		51	16 —
Charges diet		583	12 —
Bombay Presidency		40	— —
Marlbrō Fort		1	— —
PAG^s.^	P.	3779	22 40

Ballance due to him Pagodas Two Hundred Seventy nine 22. 40.

Extra : Expence ex^d.^

The extraordinary Expence for this month arises from the Following Particulars Viz^t.^

CHARGES GARRISON			
For making Quilts 100. Shirts 100. Banyan Coats 100. Breeches 150. Pillows 50. Pillow cases 100. Caps 100. for the Hospital	Pa.	213	25 20
TRIPLICANE BRIDGE			
Materials & Workmen		53	17 —
GODOWNS BY THE HALF MOON BATTERY			
Materials & Workmen		24	4 10
FORT St. DAVID			
For what expended for Mr. Turner & Mr. Higginson's journey thither ..		77	19 16
BENGALL PRESIDENCY			
Entertainment of sundry sick Soldiers belonging to that Place in the Hospital		4	24 50
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY			
Diet to 11 Prisoners as ℔ Marshall's Acco^t.^	11	— —	
Diet to 4 West Coast Coffrys ...	6	— —	
Paid the Surgeon of the Monmouth Head money for 31 Sold^rs.^ @ 10 S. ea.	34	16 —	
		51	16 —
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY			
Allowance money to the Dec^d.^ Widow Cowse Children	15	— —	
D^o.^ to Mrs. Burton & her Children ...	25	— —	
		40	— —

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MARLBRÔ FORT
Paid Zacheas Bradley Corporal there his Wife ... ... 1 — —

PAG^{s}. 465 34 10

Pay mast^{r}. to go thrô every item of his sect^{s}. and report the Same.

Upon examining into this Acco^{t}. to see in what manner to retrench the several Expences complain'd of in the general Letter It was found that several Articles were not sufficiently express'd to appear at first view and it was therefore AGREED that in order to the easier going thrô this work the Paymaster should himself go thrô every particular Item in his Acco^{t}. and report the Same which he promis'd to get ready as soon as possible and that when he has so done we will examine every part thereof and come to some resolutions for the decreasing of the Charges.

G. Varelst discharg'd the Military service.

George Varelst who came out a Soldier on the Monmouth desiring his discharge from the Military it is AGREED to, he paying the usual Sum of forty four Pagodas sixteen Fanams for the Same.

Mint Acco^{t}. for July read.

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Mintmaster pays into Cash ten Pagodas twenty four Fanams and fifty Cash which with Rupees 141642–6 is the ballance of his last month's Acco^{t}. now read to the Board.

A Letter from Mr. Tullie Read.

A Letter from M^{r}. George Tullie as enter'd after this Consultation read relating to his admission to the Council whereupon he was sent for and told that by the Arrival of the Young Derby, We had an Acco^{t}. of M^{r}. Macrae's being alive and bound hither so that his request was answer'd thereby.

N. ELWICK.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

TO THE HON^{BLE}. NATH^{LL}. ELWICK ESQ^{R}.
PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}. OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE &C^{A}. COUNCIL.

HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. & S^{RS}.

The uncertainty of the speedy arrival of M^{r}. Macrae and M^{r}. Turner being sent to Fort S^{t}. David occasions this trouble to remind your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. of the Company's order in relation to a vacancy at your Board. I have not seen that order but am told I am next in Succession. I should be glad to know the truth thereof that I may regulate my affairs accordingly.

I am with much Respect
HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. & S^{RS}.
Yo^{r}. most obed^{t}. Hum^{ble}. Servt.
GEORGE TULLIE.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
21ST. AUGST. 1724.

The Margaret Ann Capt. William West sail'd for Bengall. 26
Sloop S^{t}. Maria Maneram Noquedah sail'd for Arakan. —

AT A CONSULTATION
Present

THURSDAY THE 27°.

NATHANIEL ELWICK ESQ^{R}. GOV^{R}. PRESIDENT.
RICH^{D}. BENYON. JOHN EMMERSON. RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE. JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

a large number of Topasses disoharg'd and the 3^{d}. Company incorporated into the other two.

The President acquaints the Board that in order to facilitate the reduction of the Forces he had discharg'd a large number of the ordinary Topasses and incorporated the third Company into the other two.

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Elisha Patching Soldier discharg'd.

Petition of Elisha Patching Soldier setting forth that he had serv'd out his contracted time in the Military and desir'd his discharge—granted.

Sea Customrs. Accot. for July read.

John Emmerson Sea Customer reads that Accot. for last month Vizt.

Custom on Goods exported & imported	P	3318. 25. 4
Do. on Grain		17. 9. 8
Anchorage		70. 18. —
		Pa. 3406. 16 12.

Ballance due from him eleven thousand three hundred and ten Pagodas, ten fanams and eleven Cash of which he pays in three thousand Pagodas.

Storekeeprs. Accot. for July read.

George Drake Storekeepr. reads that Accot. for last month Ballance remaining due from him seven hundred sixty four Pagodas ten fanams and fifty five Cash.

Petition of Chenevass Chitty read

Petition of Chenevass Chitty setting forth that Mr. Wendey had made over to him the Houses which Mar Kisna had made over to the said Mr. Wendey and desiring an ordr. for the Sale of them, read.

to be consider'd of hereafter.

Having already order'd the Sale of them in pursuance of Mr. Wendey's Petition, Agreed that when they are sold the Merits of this Petition be consider'd.

Presidt. delivers in a report of the Condition of the Young Derby.

The President then acquainted the Board that having been inform'd that Brigantine Young Derby had met with very bad weather and was very much out of repair he had Order'd the Master to deliver in a report of the Condition She is in which he had recd. and now lays before the Board.

She to be sent to Pegue as soon as unloaded.

Agreed that so soon as she is unloaded we will send her to Pegue by which time we may hope to have directions from the Bay for building them some Sloops when we will Consider of some proper Person to Send over on the Honble. Company's Accot.

12 ℔ Cent deducted from the price of the Long Cloth and Sallempores sent to England ℔ Derby markt ⊞.

The Musters of the Long Cloth and Sallempores sent to England on the Derby and mark't ⊞ on which the Fort St. David's Merchants who deliverd it had Agreed to make such abatement as should be reasonable being now examin'd and Suncah Ramah being call'd in after a great many arguments us'd with & by him It was Resolv'd that twelve ℔ Cent should be struck off from the whole quantity being in all five hundred thirty one bales.

N. Elwick.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

To the Honble. Nathll. Elwick Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. &cA. Council of Fort St. George.

The Petition of Chenevass Chitty
Humbly Sheweth

That your Petitioner having a mortgage on the Houses and grounds belonging to Mar Kisna humbly begs that this Honble. Board will order them to be sold that his Mortgage may be discharg'd and

Yr. Petitioner
as in duty bound
Shall ever pray &ca.

Fort St. George
27o. Augst. 1724.

In obedience to your Hons. Commands do give this my Report of the Condition of the Young Derby Brigt. belonging to the Honble. Company and is as follows.

Her hull is good & makes but very little water notwithstanding having been off the ground near two years.

As to her Masts, they are all good, except the foremast which was sprung off the Island of Zeloan.

The Yards are all good.

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The Sails are but indifferent and will want a new Suit.

The standing Rigging is good but the running but indifferent and will want some Cordage to supply where tis bad.

As to the ground Tackling tis indifferent good but one Anchor and Cable more will be sufficient.

The above is the Condition of her to the best of the Knowledge of

FORT S^t^. GEORGE
AUG^st^. Y^e^. [*lacuna*] 1724.

Y^e^. HON^ble^.
most Obed^t^. & very hum^ble^. Servt.
OLIVER STEWART.

Rec^d^. a General Letter from Fort S^t^. David. 27
Arriv'd the Charles Capt. David Wilkie from Mocha. 28

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

NATHANIEL ELWICK ESQ^R^ GOVERN^R^. PRESID^t^. FRIDAY THE 28TH.
RICH^D^. BENYON. JOHN EMMERSON. RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE. JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

General Letter N°. 135 from the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort S^t^. David dated the 25°. Instant wherein they tell us that they have procured forty new Washers but that since the sorting the brown Cloth they have hardly Cloth enough to keep them employ'd which their Merchants excuse by saying that the Weavers at Worriapollam will not submit to have the brown Cloth turn'd upon their hands, That they apprehend this will retard their Investment very much but have endeavour'd to prevent it by threatning the Merchants with the Penalty of their Contract. They advise us of their hav^e^. made an addition of three Merchants to Sadashaverow's Set, That they believe they shall not be able to provide above one hundred and fifty bales ℔ month and that they have deliver'd the Protest to the Govern^r^. & Council of Pondicherry. They add that they have rec^d^. the orders from England and advise what they have done & design further relating thereto, request the reduction of their Forces may not be all at once nor of the Peons and conclude with an Acco^t^. of the State of the buildings.

Fort S^t^. David General Lett^r^. read.

Debating upon the Contents of this Letter It was found strange that they should add any new People to the old Sets of Company's Merchants without first advising with us and desiring our leave so to do, or that they should write they would reduce their Customs without sending us a Scheme of the method they propose to do it in, both which It is AGREED to take notice of in our next General.

the Contents of the Letter debated on 2 Parts of it to be taken notice of in the next Letter.

It appearing by this Letter that we can expect but one thousand bales from Fort S^t^. David and not being Secure of above five hundred from the Northward so that we must provide seventeen hundred here to fill all the Ships which at present appears to be morally impossible, AGREED to write to the Bay that if they cannot send us up five hundred bales more than we send down to them we cannot hope to load two ships and that therefore they must not send above one to us.

Agreed to write to y^e^. Bay not to send us more than one ship unless they also send 500 bales more than are gone from hence.

The Company's Merchants were then call'd in and told that we must not nor would be any longer put off with Excuses, That they had made a Contract with us on the terms contain'd therein, which we would oblige them to comply with & consequently if by their negligence or Obstinacy the Ships were oblig'd to lie the Season round We would claim the forfeiture in the Contract and that therefore they had best look to it.

The Cos. Merchants told they must comply with the terms of their Contract or else the forfeiture would be claimed.

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Land Custrs. July Ballce. paid in.

James Hubbard Land Customer pays into Cash four hundred and eight Pagodas twenty eight Fanams and seven Cash ballance of his last mos. Accot.

Accomptt. reports his havr. found an omission of Ps. 136 : 24 paid by Poncala Kisna & not enter'd

The Accomptant reports that upon drawg. out the Ballance of the Books ending April last he found an omission of Pagods. 136 : 24 — being for two months rent of the measuring duty due the 20th. August 1720, omitted to be enterd in the Cash book at that time but for which Poncala Kisna had got the proper discharge so that Mr. Hastings who was then Cash keeper ought to be charg'd with it.

the Secry. to demand it of Mr. Wendey.

The Secretary Order'd to go to Mr. Wendey (who is indispos'd) and demand payment of said Sum.

2000 Ps. paid in by the Inhabitts. for the Bridges.

The Inhabitants pay into Cash two thousd. Pagodas being the second payment for the bridges and promise the third in one month more.

Silver to be given the Presidt. for rups. 30,000 he offers to pay into the Cos. Cash in Bengall.

The President proposes to the board to pay into the Cos. Cash in Bengall thirty thousand Madrass rupees & take silver for the Same here as it would produce in the Mint which is Agreed to because it will save the risque of so much money down to the Bay and will be an addition to the Sum order'd to be sent them.

N. Elwick.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

30 The George Brigantine (belonging to the Honble. Compa.) Capt. John Tye Commandr. arriv'd from Fort Marlbrô, on her came the Worspll. James Macrae Esqr. who brought with him a Pacquet for this Place.

Sept.
1 Saild Ship Heathcoat for Bengall By whom sent a Genll. Letter Dated 30th. Ult°. to the President & Councill of Fort William.

Receiv'd a Genll. Letter from Ingerum Dated [*lacuna*].

2 Ships Dean Frigat & Charles saild for the Bay.

3 Arriv'd the Prince George Alexander Dalgleishe & New Market Joseph Diamond both from Mocha.

At a Consultation

Present

Thursday the 3d. Nathaniel Elwick Esqa. Govr. & President.
Richard Benyon. John Emmerson. Ran[d]all Fowke.
James Hubbard. George Drake. Joseph Houghton.

Cash acco. for August read.

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. reads the Acct. of the Honble. Companys Cash Ballance Remaining sixteen thousand five hundred seventy three pags. seven fanams & fifty five Cash.

Land Customer's acct. for August read.

James Hubbard Land Customer Reads the Account for Last month Viz.

Choultry Customs	P. 323	1 44
Ruby Brokeridge	105	15 19
Registring Slaves	—	8 —
	428	24 63 Ballance

Due from him four hundred & eight pags. twenty five fanams & sixty three Cash.

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Randall Fowke Paymaster Requesting Money to be Advanc'd him to defray Charges Garrison ORDERD that his Ballance for July be paid him amounting to two hundred seventy nine Pag^{s}. twenty two fanams & forty Cash And that three thousand pagodas be Advanc'd for this month.

Paymasters ballance for last month [paid] and ^{t}hree thousand adv^{d}. him for expences of y^{e}. m^{o}.

George Drake Storekeeper deliver in account of y^{e}. severall Deficiencys in the Heathcoats Invoice from Great Britain as Enterd after this Consultation all which are Endorsed off of the bill of Lading.

the Storskeeper rsports y^{e}.deficienoies in the Heathcot's invoice.

The President delivers in the Master of the George Brigantines Report of the condition of the Vessel which is Orderd to be Enterd after Consultation.

Report of y^{e}. condition of y^{e}. George Brigantine d^{d}. in.

Bills of Exchange of this days date on the Honble. Court of Directors Sign'd payable at two months after sight to the Order of Thomas Mayle for one hundred sixty one pagodas at eight shillings Valued of Richard Stephens.

Bills of Exch^{s}. drawn on y^{e}. Court of Directors.

ORDERD that Messrs. Tye, Barttlet, & Murray do go on board & survey Ship Sunderland that we may begin to Lade her for Great Brittain.

Order to survey ship Sunderland.

ORDERD further that they go on board the Young Derby Brigantine & survey her foremast.

Order to survey the Young Derby Brigantine.

The Presses in the Secretarys Office being all full, And more Room wanted, ORDERD that the Paymaster do provide three new ones.

presses to bs made for the Secretary's office.

Randall Fowke paymaster delivers in an Account of the monthly Expence, Repairing of the Garden barracks amount^{g}. in the whole to seven hundred & six pagodas, sixteen fanams & fifteen Cash As ℔ the Acc^{t}. enterd after Consultation,

Partioulars of y^{e}. Expence of repairr. y^{e}. Garden barracks del^{d}. in.

He likewise delivers to the Board a Report of the sev^{ll}. Items of the Paymasters Accounts pursuant to agreement in Consultation of the 24th. Ult^{o}. which is likewise Enterd after consult^{n}. And Agreed to be Consider'd when we proceed to the Examination of those Accounts.

Paymasters explanation of y^{e}. heads in his acc^{ts}. del^{d}. in, read & y^{e}. Consideratⁿ. of it deferred till next Consultation.

Generall Letter N. 136 from John Blunt Esqr. at Ingerum dated 12th. Augst. Read Advising his design of dispatch^{g}. the Ingerum Merchant by the 22^{d}. of Last month, & desiring a Supply may be ready to be returnd on her without detaining her here.

Ingerum General Letter from thence read.

ORDERD that ten thousand new pagodas be got ready, that if we like the Cloth he may have a supply as soon as possible in Order to have more bales sent us in December.

ten thousand new pagod^{s}. orderd to be provided for Ingerum.

Generall Letter N. 137 Read, being that Receivd from the West Coast by the George Brigantine bearing date 20th. July Advising their proceedings for some time & Accompanying their Consultation books & Accounts, all which are deliverd to the board by M^{r}. Macrae who came on the George.

West Coast General Letter rec^{d}. by y^{e}. George Brig^{ne}. read dated 20th. July.

Likewise Read a Copy of the Generall Letter to the Company by the Swallingfield & Copy of one from the Company to the Supra Vizor & Councill.

Likewise read copy of one from thence to England & one from the Court of Directors to the West Coast read & order'd to bs enter'd.

Read & orderd to be enterd the following papers Viz^{t}.

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Abstracts of what passed durr. ye. Supravisor's Stay at ye. West Coast.

Abstracts of what passd in Consultation while the Supra Vizor was at the West Coast.

His instructions to ye. Deputy Govr. & Council.

Instructions given by him to the Depty. Govr. & Councill on his Leaving them.

Acct. of moneys refunded.

Account of moneys Refunded for over Charges &

Acct. of reductions.

Account of Reductions made there.

Bill of Exchs. payab. to James Macrae Esqr. drawn from the West Coast accepted.

A Bill of Exchange for four thousand, eight hundred sixty six pagodas, twenty four fanams presented & Accepted Payable to the Worshipl. James Mackray Esqr.

N. Elwick.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

To the Honble. Nathaniel Elwick Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. &c. Councill of Fort St. George.

Hon. Ss. & Srs.

Upon Examining the Stores receivd from on board the Ship Heathcoat, I find the following deficiencys Vizt.

	Chald.	bush.				Pags.		
Sea Coals	2	11	at pags. 3. 12 ℙ Chaldron	...			7	24 30
Bundle N. 30 wanting hand Saw Setts	12		... ...				—	13 40
Chest N. 20 Ink powder 6 papers			... ...				—	11 —
Cask D. H. One Drum Line			... ...				—	6 50
			lb.					
Anchor N. 1777 wanting in weight			10				—	11 5
			⊖. ⊖ lb.					
Gun One Invoiced at 1 : 1—markd 1–19 difference lb.								
9 at 2½							—	7 19
Ditto one			17–17 17—12				—	2 30
5 [at] 1 : 17 [*sic*]								
			⊖. qr. lb.					
Iron wanting in Weight	4		3 19 at 2 ℙ ⊖ supposd by Rust ...				9	30 15
Bolt Iron	dº.		1 22½ 3 16 ℙ ⊖ dº.				1	19 70
			lb.					
Iron Crows	dº.		2 dº.				—	2 15
Iron hoops	dº.		16lb. at 2 : 30 ℙ ⊖ dº.				—	14 45
Rod Iron	dº.		1 : 26 at 2 : 25 dº.				1	10 60
Iron Shot	dº.		2 : 26½ dº.				1	6 70
Nails	dº.		2 : 27 at 5℔ ⊖ dº.				3	25 30
Cordage	dº.		2 : 24 at 3 : 12 ℙ ⊖ dry'd ...				2	13 55
			lb.					
Gunpowder	dº.		175 dº				14	3 —
Twine	dº.		2 dº.				—	9 —
Tarr	½ a barrell Leakd out		... ...				1	5 —
						Pags.	45	— 59

Fort St. George
September 1st. 1724.

I am
Honble. Ss. & Srs.
Your most humble Servt.
George Drake.

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In Obedience to your Hon^rs. Commands do give[...]this my Report of the condition of the George Brigantine, belong^g. to the Hon. Company & is as follows.

HULL, to be corked within & without; Chains platts bad.

MASTS, Fore topmast decayd at the [...] which may be repaird by bringing it ashore.

YARDS Fore [yard...]

STANDING RIGGING in Good Order.

Running d^o. half worne.

ANCHORS Good.

CABLES 2, Sheat New, best Bower ¼ wore.

STORES WANTING VIZ^t.

1 Cable 10 Inches.
1 Coil 4 d^o. Rope.
1 D^o. 9 thread ratling.
2 Bouy Ropes Coir.
6 Lead lines.
2 dipsey Lead lines.
6 loglines.
4 hand Leads.
2 dipsey d^o.
1 dozen Seising lines.
1 boult Europe Canvass.
40 lb. Nails of severall sorts.
2 d^o. of pump Nails.
2 barrels of Tarr.
1 d^o. of pitch.
6 Gimblets.
4 Orgers.
100 weight of Tallow.
3 dozen of Lanthern horns.
1 d^o. Buckets.
1 Jarr of Oile.
2 pound of Cotton.
4 shutters for the Starne.
Paint to paint the Vessel.
the boat very bad.
2 Gallons of Coconut Oile for the Arms.

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SEPTEM^R. Y^E. 2^D. 1724.

JOHN TYE.

Monthly Accounts of Expences on the Garden Baracques.

ANNO 1723. July ...	Pag^s.	159	18 —	1723/4	January		6	35 —
August		34	3 5	1724	Aprill ...		65	3 60
September		51	3 20		May ...		102	35 50
October		61	12 60					
November		207	18 30				706	16 55
December		17	30 70					

Particulars Abstracted from the foregoing Months Viz^t.

Timbers 59 timbers	Pag^s.	324	18 —
Nails 2¾		13	27 —
blackstone pillars 12		36	— —
Boards 393		110	1 40
Bricklayers, Coolys, boys, Carpenters, Smiths, bricks, Chinam, Jaggery, Carcoy, hemp, Gram potts, Ropes, &c^a.		222	6 15
	Pag^s.	706	16 55

F^t. S^t. Geo^r. 31st. [Aug^st....]

TO THE HON^BLE. NATHANIEL ELWICK ESQ^R.
PRESID^T. & GOV^R. OF FORT S^T. GEORGE &C^A. COUNCILL.

HON^BLE. S^R. &C^A.

You were pleasd to order me the 24th. instant to lo[ok] through the paymasters Accounts and report What I found might [be] immediately done towards retrenching Charges conformable to our Honble. Masters prescriptions in their Generall Letter p^r Ship Heathcoat Which, to guide me in the performance of my duty, I have carefully perused, and find, they sett down all the heads of Expences for one year, which they Compare with the Revenues, whereby to shew us the former is not, nor have been, supported by the latter for severall years, And then proceed to particularize. FIRST is CHARGES GARRISON. A strict Reveiu of the m[ili]tary being

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Orderd Man by Man in the presence of us all, I shall only offer a few small matters to begin with, & leave those of mo[re] moment to be enter'd on by Y^r. Hon^r. &c. as you think convenient in respect to time & circumstances.

I must first intimate to you, I acquainted M[ajor] Roach that according to a late limitation of the military Ex[pences] by the Hon. Court of Directors he was to receive eighteen [pag^s.] ℔ month and [...] me for [*a few words lost*] was on the same terms as formerly which was twenty pagodas ℔ month. I took notice in the generall Letter ℔ Ship Monmouth it is said, we have entertain'd Major John Roach into his former station of Major of that Garrison and on the same terms; Now whether I shall pay him according to the former or latter Order, I humbly Request Y^r. Hon^rs. &c. direction.

The Reducing the three Companys to two (if I may presume to offer my Opinion) is a work of time, as was the buildings, Fortifications & Revenues, which were all growing together, but one is not found to grow so fast as the rest, which I shall endeavour to do my part in the lopping as you please to direct me, and as soon as possible, agreable to their orders, because they say forthwith, no Excuses to be Accepted. Y^r. Hon^r. &c. are all of opinion the sooner it can be done the better, so it can be done with security to the settlement, since as they propose to save six thousand, one hundred & seventy six pagodas & twelve fanams ℔ annum.

The first step towards complying with what premised, is, that whereas there are thirteen Serjeants in the first Company, twelve in the second, & twelve in the third, among whom stands the Steward of the Hospitall, which I think ought to be placed in the Account of particular persons, and his months Allowance Appointed him by the board. There are sixteen Corporals in the first Company, sixteen in the second, & fifteen in the third. Now as I pay the Garrison, and many of these things do more immediately and more naturally fall under my notice, I humbly crave y^r. Hon^r. &c. will be pleas'd to send for Major Roach, and acquaint him with the Orders that there must be but ten of each in a Company And that no Officer be made, or military man whatsoever Entertaind, without first appearing in Consultation and an Order enterd for the Same.

There is One Walter Easton who stands a Corporall on the second List but is blind, & I believe upon the Revieu there may Appear a few more superanuated or otherwise disabled, whom if you'll please to Order among the ℔ticular Persons at two pagodas, or what monthly Allowance you think fit there will be something saved & the Acc^ts. stand fairer.

Gun Room Crew. The Paymasters Acc^ts. for 1707 are not to be found, but by the Compare made by the Hon. Committee They find a Difference of Pag^ds. 61 : 7 Sixty one Pagodas Seven fanams ℔ month. There is among the Gunner[s] Mates one Francis Calamaltie a Smith at Seven Pag^ds. ℔ month whom the Garrison cannot well spare, being very useful in his way he makes the Bales Screws and what other necessarys that require any extraordinary Workmanship in the Garrison, he ought also to be put among the Particular ℔sons if You think fitt to keep him. There are many more outworks then Anno 1707 and so consequently more men. The Gunner declares now he has barely enough to dry his Powder, attend the Batteries, remove Stores from place to place, Screw the Bales and many other Labours about the Garrison that they and the Lascars are the most seldom idle of all others. As for the Mates who are at Five pagodas ℔ month and the hundred fanam men; there are scarce any among 'em but what have been in that Service twenty or thirty Years, and most of the rest many Years. Formerly the Gunroom was lookt upon as a Lodgg work-house to relieve poor seamen and at the same time be of use to the Garrison, they were entertain'd & discharg'd at their pleasure which encouragement was thought necessary thereby to have always Sailors on any extraordinary occasion, So that their Number increas'd or decreased as Voyages offer'd. They now consist of Forty six Europeans, Fifty two Portugueze and thirty Lascars, in all one hundred and twenty eight ℔sons most old Standars. And if a man will look about the Garrison and take notice how they are employ'd I believe there will be found but little reason

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for Alteration; However I bow down to Your Honour &c^{a}. Better Judgement. It may be added that if ever we shou'd come to action with an Enemy we shall want a great many more of that sort than we have at present or perhaps may be procurable at such a Juncture.

℔^{R}.TICULAR PERSONS, WAGES & ALLOWANCES are Sub divided heads of Charges Garrison because the Particulars are entirely Appropriated to that Use. OUR HON^{BLE}. MASTERS in this Complain of large Salarys to Supravisors of Buildings others of three to four Pagodas ℔ month without discription; Buzzar Physick and other Articles where in the whole they propose to save Fifty pagodas ℔ month.

It must be own'd the petty Expences herein from time to time ought to have been more fully express'd which I shall now and always Endeavour at to prevent any disatisfactions in future humbly offering my opinion what may be done herein.

The first line of Particular ℔sons amounts to twenty Pagodas and is for ten Pagodas to the two Supravisors of Buildings Thomas Way and Henry Johnson. The latter alwaies had the Character of an excellent Carpenter and an ingenious Contriver in all things relating to Architect, a very quiet Sober man and a very Usefull in such a Garrison as this. If your Honour &c^{a}. can prevail with him to accept of five Pag^{ds}. ℔ month you will have a cheap Servant and save fifteen pagodas ℔ month. The others are Doctors Mates, Master of Arms, Steward of the Hospitall, school master, Marshall, Book binder, Cooper and his mate, disabled men and poor Widows whose allowances stood as they are many Years: Whereabouts to lessen this I must leave to Your Honour &c^{ra}. which Concludes ℔ticular Persons. WAGES & ALLOWANCES, Wages is to head Workmen Three of each Sort except the Smiths who are five all which I propose to reduce to two and without those no common Business can be carryed on or Scare any of their trades procurable on Occasion; that it will be reducing the Garrison almost to Distress intirely to discharge those fellows and will very little contribute to the General charge since their Wages are so small the most able man among 'em having no more than three pagodas ℔ month.

ALL other Articles under this are only petty Expences almost unavoidable, Several Works constantly in the Armory as cleaning Arms Making Scabbards Pouch Cartridge Boxes &c^{ra}. making powder Casks in the Coopers Yard wch. indeed ought to be charg'd to Gunpowder Country by the Storekeeper Cartridge paper Drum Cords &c^{ra}. and several other things of this kind and perhaps Three or four of these Driblets sum'd up in one line, and indeed is not so easie for immediate inspection, nor can be so well explain'd in that Compass as they ought; but I shall for the future not Set down any thing without Expressing what it is for, these conclude the head of Charges Garrison. The next is

CHARGES GENERAL which although it is a distinct head in the Paymasters Acc^{ts}. from Charges Garrison Yet in the General Books tis the same, All Charges on the Close being transferr'd to this.

To reduce this in the paymasters Acc^{ts}. we are directed to observe the year 1707 and not to exceed the number of peons then which they say was about two hundred and fourty 240. They are now two Hundred and Ninety one excluding Tent fellows Trumpeters Flagmen &c^{ra}. a particular List of all these went home two or three Years past where they are Posted and how Employ'd according to order, which I shall now lay before Your Honour &c^{ra}. that You may Judge whether any of them can be spared. The two Subdevided Articles of WAGES & ALLOWANCES for that time

were but Seventy two pagodas twenty five fauams Pag.$^{P.}$ 72 $^{f.}$ 25 whereas in The Year 1721 they were One hundred and Eleven pagodas fourteen fanams 111 $^{P.}$: $^{f.}$ 14, and now one hundred and seven Pagodas & five fanams 107 $^{P.}$: $^{f.}$ 5. The Governour & Council, Secretarys, Ministers and Doctors Servants stood always much the same but in that year of 1707 M^{r}. Frazier happen'd to be Suspended so there was no Second and but one Doctor, which might occasion some difference. The Linguister, Mulla, Paymasters,

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Conicopolys, Oil Braminy and shroffs are also much the same except the Mulla who has 9 Ps. and formerly had but six. The main difference in this Article seems to me to lye in the Gardners tho I can't Exactly tell for want of those Accounts. But I enquir'd of the Conicoplys and they confirm me in it. Anno 1707 there was no cheif Gardner as afterward who has one pagoda and half 1½ P. and but eighteen Gardners and five women 18. Gard^rs. & 5, Woman. whose wages came to ten Pagodas and ½, 10½ P. Afterwards the Gardners were twenty eight whose wages amounted to fourteen Pagodas Seventeen fanams 14 : 17 P. f. besides the Cheif Gardner There were also twelve Gardners on the Island six of which I took off some months past which they much complain'd they had not enough to look after the Hedges and water the Trees, with your leave I believe I must take off two more and then they'l be reduced to much about the number Anno 1707.

The next thing taken notice of as loose and extravagant and they say not easie to be understood are a great number of Carpenters Smiths and other workmen which indeed ought to be express'd where and how they are employ'd because they say the heads of Buildings and repairs of Fortifications ought to include all expence of that nature according to Standing orders. Now for want of such explanation which shall be hereafter, it all seems misplaced and several little Charges being all in one line make it look the more Jumbled and Confus'd as in the former account and as they complain. The number of Carpenters Mooches & smiths appear very large because they are paid by the Day and sumd all up at the months end and then as to their coming under this head it will be found more proper than any other because they are no part of a Garrison Charge and very little tending to repairs but are cheifly Employ'd in making locks & keys hooping or opening Treasure Chests, Attending the Sea Gate, making Bolts or Chains for Prisoners, Buckett Straps for wells, Bolts hasps or hinges for Doors or Windows and many other small matters about the Lodgings Godowns Warehouse and other places which to mention exactly wou'd fill a Volume ; however if it be required I will Labour to give Content. Thus much for the Smiths.

The Carpenters under this head are Employ'd much the same way in mending Chairs Tables Doors Windows Centry Boxes Troughs for hogs horses and pouder Pump and Mangers in the horse Stables picquotts pack't Boxes and many other little Jobs that are constantly wanted to be done and yet Accidental for sometimes I have had hopes when such and such things were done there wou'd be an end but instead thereof there have been some little thing or other that have requir'd Expedition because twas immediately wanted or wou'd be further Expensive if deferred ; that I have sometimes almost resolv'd on a cessation of all Workmen let the event be what it wou'd except Your Honour &c^rs. shou'd make an Order for every single pagoda so laid out.

The Mooches under this head are likewise paid by the day and employ'd in drawing Musters for Chints Binding Books painting and such other work as their trade performs. All the foregoing Workmen sum'd up together do not Amount to above Thirty Pagodas a Month, I don't Know where to take off any thing here unless you discharge the man that draws the chints Musters who has five fanams a day.

Another Article herein complain'd of is Batty to Peons abroad and at home. This has always been under the direction of the President because he sends and receives all advices. Batty to Peons is allow'd all Over the Country and I am Apt to believe the Cause of this complaint proceeded from its appearing Larger than Ordinarily in the accounts inspected on this General Occasion which happen'd to be (if I mistake not) for that Year wherein twas required on Account of the Unhappy Accidents of the Wrecks on this Coast. To this follows a Complaint of large Quantitys of Oil and wax more than Usual, the quantity of Oil increasd as the Gaurds and outworks and is receiv'd of the Warehousekeeper who has it from Bengal every Year at the Best hand As the Storekeeper the Wax which is deliver'd to the Gentlemen

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to whom it is allow'd who sometimes take it every month, sometimes two or Three or Twelve months together as they have Occasion whereby this may seem to have increas'd. But there has been no Addition to this allowance for ought I know these Thirty or Fourty Years, The Storekeeper keeps an Account of it as deliver'd and is paid for it by the Paymaster. Then follows another seeming Extravagancy of one hundred twenty two Pagodas and twenty two fanams for Sixteen thousand three hundred and fifty Dammers 16350. Extravagant indeed ! had they been expended all in that Year or another ; But it happen'd that Year they were Cheaper than since and so Consequently a little mony was sav'd, for there have not been any bought from that time to this nor doth it Appear in any of the Accounts and there are about one Thousand now remaining in store. Its true in regard they were bought a Store they ought to have been bought by the Storekeeper and deliver'd the Paymaster as other Stores are and so paid for at the months end or he shou'd have kept them himself and Charg'd 'em every month. But however there is an Account kept of them apart.

Repairs of Fortifications &c^{a}. I cannot Offer any thing from my own Judgement on this head than only to promise my Utmost care that no abuses are Committed of which our Honourable Masters seem to be very Jealous and to say the truth Little Frauds herein are near as unavoidable as the decay of Buildiugs and Honesty the Causes, which every Body will affirm that have had any thing to do with Buildings in these parts tho' never so circumspect. The only way I can think of to prevent it is to have but one thing done at a time tho' never so small. But if a man will take a Walk and view the whole Garrison he will find so many things so necessary to be done that he wou'd think it a pity to be left undone unless 'twas Resolv'd it shou'd be so and here I cannot forbear mentioning the Powder House wch. You'll easily Agree is of some importance there being made from Fifteen Hundred to two thousand Pagodas value of Powder every Year for Garrison Use and sale both Convenient and profitable. Then I pass to the mint the Condition of which, Your Honour &c^{a}. know very well having taken a View of it not Long ago. All the Garrison is continually wanting Chinam some where or other and where its used, there will be those little Articles of Jaggery, Corcoy, hemp and several other ingredients necessary to cement it besides Bricklayers, Cooleys and Boys.

For my part I know not of any Buildings or repairs of above ten pagodas value but what have been proceeded on According to those old Orders reminded us in the General Letter which ought always to be Observ'd.

The Charges of Cattle are as I apprehend limited to eight hundred Pagodas 800 ℔ Annum which is Sixty six pagodas Twenty four fanams ℔ month 66 : 24. To Conform herein I humbly propose to take Out the Gentlemens Allowances which

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at present Am^{t}. to Sixteen Pagodas Twenty four fanams 16 : 24 & pay the Govern-nour the remains which will be Fifty Pagodas ℔ mouth.

I don't think I need take notice of any thing else only that in the General Conclusion they propose to save Twenty Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy four pagodas out of Fifty Six Thousand Eight hundred Ninety five so that the Annual Expences they reckon will not exceed Thirty Six Thousand One hundred and

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twenty one Pag^{das}. 36121 which is about Three Thousand and ten pagodas 3010 ℔ Month. I dont find the Paymasters Accounts from last January are above Three Thousand Five hundred pagodas a month including every thing, Baraques at the Garden, Amunition Godowns, Bombay Presidency and several other things that have been done as Sally Port and other repairs at the New point, Tom Clarks Gate &c^{re}. so that with these ceasing and reducing Serjeants, Corporals, Charges Cattle, Supra-Visors of Buildings, Gardners and what other Articles you think fitt, we may hope to be pretty near our Honourable Masters Pleasure whose prosperity is Heartily pray'd for by their and

Your Honour &c^{ras}.
Obedient faithfull Servant

Randall Fowke.

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To the Honble. Nathaniel Elwick Esqr.
President &c^ca. Council for all the Forces
& Affairs of the English Nation
at Fort S^t. George &c^ca.

Honoured Sir & Sirs,

Having it in my instructions from the Honourable Court of Directors for the Affairs of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies to make report of my proceedings as Supravisor of their affairs on the West Coast of Sumatra, to your Honour &c^ca. Council, I cou'd not make it to greater advantage than by laying before you a Copy of the Book of Consultations & the several papers relating thereto during my acting at Fort Marlborough, But as it will require some time to consider all the Particular Affairs comprehended in the said Book of Consultations, For your present information I beg leave to offer the following abstract of the most material Transactions together with a Copy of our General Letter from Fort Marlborough ℔ ship Swallowfeild to the Honourable Court of Directors & what other papers this abstract mentions.

I am likewise order'd by the Honble Court to lay before Your Honour &c^ca. Council their Instructions to me as Supravisor for your Information of their Intentions in sending me to the West Coast of Sumatra which I herewith present that a Copy of them being taken for your perusal the Original may be return'd me.

February 1723/4.

Sunday 9th. I went ashore at Fort Marlborough where I was well rec^d. Having call'd the Council together I found it then Consisted of Joseph Walsh Esq Deputy Governour, Messrs. Lewis Dean 2^d. & Paymaster, Thomas Blackall 4th., David Carnegie 5th. & Provisional Accomptant & John Sheven 6th. & pepper Godownkeeper and having laid before them a letter from the Honourable Court of Directors dated the 10th. July 1723 appointing me Supravisor for the Companys affairs on the West Coast of Sumatra it was read and all due Submission promised.

Friday 14th. Finding upon Examination into the Accounts of Edmund Bugden late paymaster there a great many overcharges and deficiencys to the Honble Companys prejudice, We appointed four Gentlemen of Council to survey the Buildings and Fortifications rais'd by him with the Greatest exactness & to report to the Board an Estimate of their Charge & of the Deficiencys of Materials he had brought to the Companys Account.

Friday 21st. Messrs. Dean, Blackall, Carnegie & Shewen deliver'd in a Report of their Survey as order'd the 14th. with an Account Currant annex'd whereby it appeard M^r. Bugden became Debtor to the Company Five Thousand two hundred and twelve Dollars one Suca & fourteen Cash ($ 5212 : 1 : 14) Whereupon he was called before the Board and acquainted with the whole proceeding & a Copy of the Survey & of his Account-Currant with the Company order'd him that he might answer thereto.

Order'd that Care be taken to discover M^r. Bugdens Effects that his Debt to the Honourable Company might be secured & that Messieurs Dean & Blackall shou'd take Charge of them.

Having observ'd to the Board that the monthly Accompts of the Hospitall Charges were very extravagant & Very far exceeding what was really necessary & of Use to the Sick insomuch that the Company was wrong'd a large Annual Sume under that head Which must have been only a Perquisite to others & no real Benefit to the poor Men Being joyn'd in this.

Order'd that the sick in the Hospitall do for the future pay for their own Provisions without any allowance for the same excepting only such Cases as the Deputy Governour shall think proper & that not to exceed half a Dollar ℔ mensem each man.

Further that many of the Honble Companys slaves were unwarrantably employ'd by their Servants in their private service which was a great prejudice to the Company Cooleys being hir'd for the Labour which the said slaves ought to have perform'd, Therefore

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Order'd that in future no person presume to employ any of the Companys slaves for their private service on any pretence whatsoever excepting 4 for the Service of the Deputy Governour &c^{a}.

The Ship Flandria being continued a Needless Charge to the Company by keeping a White man & several slaves aboard her & being drove ashoar, & Judged impracticable to remove her to the other Coast

Order'd that the people on board her be Called to Marlborough & that her Guns, Stores &c^{a}. be brought away & taken ashoar into the Custody of the proper Officers and an Account of them deliver'd into the Board.

In the Course of my Enquirys finding but two much Ground to believe that there have been many indirect Practises & frauds to the Honble Companys prejudice by their Servants in making Purchases for their Account which were usually made without an Approbation of Council or producing Receipts or any Proper Vouchers for said purchases or that the money had been paid, Tuesday 25th.

Order'd that Whosoever shall make a purchase on the Honourable Companys Account hereafter directly or indirectly above twenty Dollars Value ($ 20) without the consent of the Deputy Governour & Council first obtain'd shall be find Dollars one hundred ($ 100) to be paid into the Companys Cash &c^{a}.

That no Person in any employ whatsoever shall make a purchase or pay any mon'y on the Companys Account without takeing receipts & those to be deliver'd the Accomptant by the 15th. day of each month together with the several Accounts for the preceeding Month. No Vouchers to be esteem'd good after that time & every one that shall transgress this order to pay a fine of Dollars fifty ($ 50) for each receipt or Voucher that shall be so wanting.

Appointed a Steward to furnish Provisions for the Sick in the Hospitall & agreed upon Regulations relating to it. Saturday 29th.

M^{r}. Forresti Engineer being appointed Head Overseer of the Companys slaves and the Mallay Workmen That both may be employ'd to the best Advantage agreed upon Rules for the Engineers Conduct in executing the said Office & Order'd Instructions to be drawn out and deliver'd him.

The Military, Gunroom Crew, Companys slaves & Workmen having been us'd to be paid in a very irregular manner

Order'd that the Paymaster discharge the pay of all the Military of what Denomination soever, the Wages of the Gunroom Crew & Labourers & the Mony Allowances to the slaves between the 1st. & 4th. of ev'ry month. That such Payment be made publickly in the Fort Notice being first given of the Pay day and that ev'ry man do receive himself his Pay or Wages at the Pay table.

It being observ'd that there were sundry Names on the Military List which have no Owners under pretence of Servants being customarily allow'd the Officers and others

Order'd Such names be forthwith struck out of the Military list & that no more such be allow'd of hereafter. It being also observ'd

That Several of the Military employ'd in the Civil Service Such as Assistants to the Doctor, the Horsekeeper &c^{a}. for which they receiv'd handsome Allowances were nevertheless paid as Serjeants or Corporals upon the Military Rolls.

Order'd that they be discontinued. It being further Observ'd That the Number of Serjeants & Corporals in pay was by much too many in proportion to the Number of Private Men

Order'd that they be reduced to 5 Serjeants & 4 Corporals but that this Reduction be made by degrees.

M^{r}. Blackall having receiv'd of the Company $ 154 for repairs of an House whereas it appear'd by Consultation of 19th. April 1722 that he was oblig'd to pay $ 8 a month for rent of said House & himself to keep it in repair

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ORDER'D that he repay the said sum of $ 154 into the Honourable Companys Cash.

MARCH MONDAY 2. M^r. Bugdens Answer to the Charge Deliver'd him being read wherein he acknowledged the greatest part of the Facts charged against him to be just and delivering in to the Board a List of Mallay Debts & of sundry Goods owing and belonging to him

ORDER'D that the Debts be demanded and the Goods sold at Publick Outcry and the Produce of both to be paid into the Companys Cash.

THE HON^BLE. PRESID^T. &C^RA. COUNCIL of Fort S^t. George having Order'd that M^r. [Bahar ? ? ?.] Peter Shelley shou'd pay for 89 : 1 : 0 : 14 of pepper deficient in his Remains deliver'd M^r. Thomas Wilford unless he shou'd bring positive proof of it's having been stole out of the Godown & no such proof appearing to have been made by M^r. Shelley nor so much as attempted, Therefore agreed that in his absence we were Obliged to demand the Am^t. of David Carnegie his Attorney who acknowledg'd to have Effects of M^r. Shelleys in his hands to more than that amount &

ORDER'D that an Order be given M^r. Carnegie to pay into the Honble Companys Cash the sume of $ 981–3 – on account of said Peter Shelly being the first Cost of said Pepper including the Customs.

It being observ'd that there are some other Errors in M^r. Shellys, Paymasters, Pepper Godownkeepers & Warehousekeepers Accounts

ORDER'D that the Accomptant examine the several Accompts & make a Report to the Board.

FRIDAY 6TH. The Secretary Reported that the license for selling Arrack & Ophium having been put up at Outcry Tuesday last Captains Jeddre & Nangle proving the Best Bidders it was let to them at $ 314 ℔ month.

HAVING Observ'd there was paid $ 16 ℔ month to a Master of Arms which was a superfluous Charge

ORDER'D the Care of the small Arms be given to the Gunner & his Crew whose Business it is to keep them clean, That the Master of Arms be discharged & no such Officer be entertain'd by the Company for the future.

THE CHARGE of the Companys slaves being given to the Engineer the Office of head Guardan was become needless Therefore

ORDER'D that the $ 20 ℔ month usually paid George Willy for Executing that Office no longer allow'd.

HAVING also observ'd that Messrs. Dunster & Deane whilst D. Governours & the present D. Governour M^r. Walsh had receiv'd each $ 150 ℔ mensem for Diet Money above what Appears to have been allow'd on the Establishment made by M^r. Hubbard in Consultation of 2^d. March 1721/2 which Establishment was grounded as near as M^r. Hubbard &c^ra. cou'd recollect on what was settled by M^r. Cook and approv'd by the Company & neither M^r. Deane nor M^r. Walsh having any Order to produce for said Allowance I insisted upon having the Whole return'd.

AGREED that Messrs. Walsh & Dean repay into Cash what they have Receiv'd on this Account till the matter can be determin'd from the Honble Governour & Council of Fort S^t. George.

ORDER'D that the account^t. debit late M^r. Dunsters Estate for the part he had receiv'd on the above mention'd Account.

ORDER'D that the Allowance of Candles &c^ra. charged since the said Establishment be discontinued till further Orders from Fort S^t. George.

HAVING further observ'd to the Board that there is a positive Standing Order That no Arrack shall be allow'd the Company's Serv^ts. after it exceeds $ 36 ℔ Leaguer and the want of Arrack for dramming the Companys slaves having been pretended in Breach of the said positive Order

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Resolv'd that this pretence nor no other shall be admitted in future & that if Arrack cannot be purchased for $ 36 ℔ Leaguer the Working slaves shall be allow'd after the rate of 4 Cash a day in Money or Provisions in lieu thereof as the Dep^{r}. Governour & Council shall Judge most proper.

M^{r}. Lewis Deane & Council in Consultation of 20th. May 1723 having purchas'd 43½ Leaguers of Arrack of 120 Gallons each at $ 65 ℔ Leaguer in plain Breach of the Honble Companys Standing Order & it appearing the Company have paid in said purchase $ 1261: 2: more than they ought to have done I urged that the said Overplus shou'd be immediately repaid into the Companys Cash by the trespassors But M^{r}. Deane affirming that part of the said Arrack was sold for the Companys Account at an Advanced price

Order'd that the Accountant examine into this affair and report the same to the Board.

The Secretary reporting to the Board that M^{r}. Bugdens Effects had been offerd to sale According to order on Wednesday last but there appeard so few Bidders that there was no propability of disposg of them for ready Money & Joseph Walsh Esqr. offering to take off the whole at a price to be agreed on between M^{r}. Bugden and him & to give Bond for the Amount to the Company payable in six months

Agreed that said Offer be accepted and a Bond taken accordingly which was immediately executed.

M^{r}. Thomas Blackal refusing to sign the last preceeding Consultation without giving any reasons why he wou'd not, tho' he acknowledged it to be the very same he had before agreed to, He being order'd to withdraw I ask'd the opinion of the Board of his behaviour in this particular. Wednesday 11th.

The D. Governour & Council were intirely of opinion that it was a Contempt of the Honble Companys Authority and a Breach of his trust because in the aforesaid Consultation were several Orders made very much for the Companys Interest, Particularly one for refunding a Sume of money paid out of their Cash on pretence of purchasing Arrack at $ 65 ℔ Leaguer contrary to their standing Orders in which purchase M^{r}. Blackall had acknowledg'd himself before the Board to have been one half Concern'd But now endeavour'd to evade the force of that order by refusing to sign to the Consultation & thereby to hinder as much as in him lay his Employers from [. . . such conduct was Contrary] to the Duty & practise of a faithfull Servant. This matter having been further Consider'd

Order'd that M^{r}. Thomas Blackal be Suspended the Honourable Company's Service.

Other Articles of Breach of Trust and illegal purchases being observ'd to have been made by M^{r}. Blackal

Agreed that a charge be drawn out and deliver'd him.

The Accomptant having deliver'd in a Report of the Purchase of Arrack made by Lewis Deane & Council contrary to the Companys orders & of the Quantity of said Arrack sold for his Account The Overcharge thereon to the Company appear'd to be $ 1035 : 3 : 28 : &

It appearing by the Acknowledgement of Messrs. Deane & Blackall before the Board that they were equally Concern'd in the abovemention'd Arrack & repaid the profit ariseing thereon

Order'd that they be obliged to pay each an equall Share of the aforesaid $ 1035 : 3 : 28 into the Honble Companys Cash.

M^{r}. Deane having receiv'd $ 4000 out of the Honourable Companys Cash the beginning of Decr. 1722 as acknowledg'd by him in Consultation of 11th. Decem^{r}. 1723 for which the Estate of Late M^{r}. Dunster was Charg'd and the Company paid in Cloth

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ORDER'D that Lewis Deane repay into The Companys Cash the said sume of $ 4000 with Interest thereon at 10 ℔ Cent ℔ annum from the time he receiv'd it.

ORDER'D that Mr. Dunsters Estate have Creditt for the said sume & That it be paid with part of the Cloth receiv'd by the Company for his Debt.

Mr. LEWIS DEAN being order'd to pay into the Companys Cash several Sumes of money to a Considerable Amount

ORDER'D that an Attachment be made of his effects for the Companys Security.

THE ACCOUNTANT reported he had examined all Mr. Peter Shelleys Accounts at this place, but that several others were at Moco Moco which he has no Copy of.

ORDER'D that his affair be delay'd till the whole can be examin'd into.

TUESDAY 17TH. Mr. LEWIS DEANE having requested leave to lay down the Companys service & having promis'd to pay all the demands that have been made of him on Account of the Company

AGREED that his petition be Granted.

THURSDAY 19TH. The Factory of Moco Moco having been a very great & Constant Charge to the Company & continuing to be, I requir'd the Opinion of the Board Whether it might be most for the Companys Interest to withdraw that Settlement intirely or to leave there only such a number of men as might be maintain'd by the profitts on the Pepper produc'd in those parts. This being an affair of Considerable Importance, defer'd it till next Consultation.

FRIDAY 20TH. The Consideration of relinquishing or reducing the Charge of Moco Moco Factory being resum'd,

AGREED it be reduced only as ℔ Consultation of this date.

The Charge against Mr. Thomas Blackal of Breach of his Covenants with the Honble Company being deliver'd in by the Secretary was read and approv'd &

ORDER'D that the Secretary deliver him a Copy thereof that he may Answer thereto if he thinks fit.

WEDNESDAY 25TH. COOLEY HIRE having been a very great and unnecessary Charge to the Company

ORDER'D that no more Cooleys be Entertaind on the Companys Account unless in Cases of Absolute Necessity.

It being the Honourable Companys positive order that their Servants Sallarys on this Coast shou'd be appointed in the following manner Vizt.

	℔ annum
The Deputy Governour shall be allow'd	£ 100
The 2d. of Council	80
The 3d.	60
The 4th.	50
The 5th.	40

& That if there be any more of Council that they shall be Allow'd only £ 30 a Year being Factors Sallary

ORDER'D that the above standing Rule be observ'd for the future excepting in the Case of the present D. Governour Mr. Walsh who is to be Continued at £ 200 ℔ Ann. according to his agreement with the Honble President & Council of Fort St. George.

Having taken into consideration the Nature of the Diet allowances & the great Charges accrueing by frequent purchases of stores at high rates upon that Accot.

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AGREED that the Allowances of Wine, Arrack &c^{a}. be intirely taken off & the whole charge of Diet be settled in the following manner & only allowd to the following Persons Viz^{t}.

	℔ month.
To the D. Governour	$ 100
To the 2^{d}.	40
To the 3^{d}. 4th. 5th. & 6th. each	35
To each Factor	20
To each Writer	15
To the Lieutenants, Surgeon & Engineer each	20

APRIL WEDNESDAY 1st.

HAVING represented the great & unnecessary charge of Bugguezes at Fort Marlborough &c^{a}. & that the present time of peace was the properest to reduce their number being Joyn'd in this

ORDER'D that the Number of Bugguezes for Marlborough, Sillebar & Soongey Lama be reduced to 25, Viz^{t}. 1 Captain, 1 Lieutenant, 1 Ensign, 2 Serjeants, 2 Corporals & 18 Centinels.

It appearing by the paymasters Accompts that there is pay charg'd for 8 ENSIGNS Which being an extraordinary Number and in no respect needfull

ORDER'D that 6 of them be dismiss'd the Service.

THE reduction of the number of Serjeants and Corporals being formerly order'd to be made by Degrees,

ORDER'D that the same be now compleated.

ORDER'D that the Paymaster do for the future when imprest money is to be paid any of the Companys Shipping go aboard said ships & having first musterd each Vessels Company that he pay them on Board.

ORDER'D that the $ 10 ℔ mensem Sallary usually paid the Surveyor of the Sugar Plantation be taken off, & that the President of Sillebar do hereafter take that charge on him.

SIXTEEN Dollars ℔ month being Judged too high a Sallary for the Linguist who is Usually otherwise provided for in the Company's Service,

ORDER'D that M^{r}. John Shewen be continued Linguist at $ 10 ℔ mensem only.

SATURDAY 4TH.

M^{r}. Thomas Blackall deliver'd in an Answer to the Charge exhibited against him which being read & Examin'd, was found to be very trifling & evasive; but as there are some particular things which he points at for his Justification, thô of small consequence against his Charge, We thought necessary to reply to said Answer as ℔ Consultation of this date, & From the whole it appearing that he had been a Very unfaithfull Servant to the Company,

ORDER'D that M^{r}. Thos. Blackall be expell'd the Honourable Companys Service.

A PETITION of M^{r}. Lewis Deane was read praying for the Reasons therein Contain'd, that he might be allow'd six months Creditt for the Sume he was indebted to the Company, upon giving good Security for the payment thereof; & that the attachment of his Effects might be taken off.

ORDER'D that his petition be Granted, he paying interest at the rate of 10 ℔ Cent ℔ Ann. on the said principall sume untill the same shall be discharged.

FRIDAY 10TH.

M^{r}. THOMAS BLACKAL being Called before the Board was acquainted with his being Dismiss'd the Service. His Account Currant with the Company being deliver'd in by the Accountant Ballance due amounting to $ 867 : 1 : 20 was demanded of which he promis'd payment.

MONDAY 20TH.

PANGARANS Munco Rajah & Soongey Etam together with their [P]roateens being summond to a General Bechar & having agreed that for evry house in their several Dusans they shall plant 1000 pepper Vines this Year & the principall Dupattys having for Security thereof bound themselves to pay $ 15 for ev'ry House, that shall neglect to fullfill this agreement,

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ORDER'D that an Entertainment be made for them, & that presents be made them.

MONDAY 27TH. HAVING acquainted the Board that it is the Companys order that all their Servants enter into new Covenants,

ORDER'D that the Secretary draw out a Sufficient number of Indentures according to the Companys form, & that he acquaint the Gentlemen that have not yet given in Security, to provide Bondsmen.

ORDER'D that a Duty of 2 ℔ Cent on the prime Cost be paid on all Goods to be imported into or exported from any of the Companys Settlements on Sumatra, from and after the first day of May next excepting on Goods imported from Java by the Mallays & all Commodities imported from Europe that are indulg'd by the Company.

THAT Whoever shou'd after the 1st. day of May next Land any Goods without makeing a proper Entry thereof shou'd forfeit such goods, One half to the Informer, the other half to the Company.

A DEFICIENCY of Pepper while Mr. Wilford was pepper Godownkeeper was referr'd to Your Honour &cta. Council & he in the meantime order'd to pay the Value thereof into the Companys Cash.

AGREED that the President of Moco Moco have leave to Draw for the Ballance due to him from the Honourable Company & that a Supply of $ 2000 be sent him ℔ Ship Swallowfeild to pay for pepper &cta.

THURSDAY 30TH. ORDER'D that an exact Account be taken of all Remains particularly of those of the Warehouse & that the Warehousekeeper dispose of all Goods under his care as soon as Possible excepting the Ordinary Cambays necessary for cloathing the slaves & what other goods may be absolutely necessary for Presents to the Governing Mallays.

Mr. LEWIS DEANE now offering for Security of his Debt to the Honble Company conformable to order of the Board the 4th. instant Joseph Walsh Esqr. who engaged to pay the same in 6 months,

ORDER'D that the said Security be accepted and a Bond prepar'd accordingly.

Messrs. Carnegie, & Shewen according to order deliverd a Report relating to Mr. Edmund Bugdens Effects which he had complain'd were omitted to be wrote off or receiv'd in his remains by Mr. Dean Whereby it appear'd he had been overcharged in his Account with the Honble Company $ 544–1–78 to his prejudice.

ORDER'D that he have Creditt for it in his said Account.

MAY WEDNESDAY 6TH. The Secretary having made out Indentures for the Companys Servants according to the new Method they were interchangeably sign'd & Deliver'd.

TWO BILLS of Exchange drawn by Mr. Peter Shelley Cheif &cta. Council of Moco Moco, one payable to Lewis Deane for $ 954 : 1 : 70, The other to the order of David Carnegie for $ 1181 : 1 : 89 having been refused Acceptance the 27th. of May last,

AGREED that the said Bills shoud be now accepted and paid.

Mr. DEANE pray'd that the Bill payable to him might be accepted in part of his Debt to the Honourable Company which was granted.

Mr. CARNEGIE Attorney for Peter Shelley who had protested for non Acceptance of the said Bills being Offer'd payment of that payable to his Order with Interest from the Date of the Protest refus'd it because the said Bill having been remitted him for Mr. Shelley's Acco't. he had since receiv'd no Orders from him about it.

As Peter Shelley was considerably more indebted to the Honble Company than the amount of these Bills with Interest

ORDER'D that the Secretary deliver an Order of the Board to Mr. Carnegie to deliver up the said Bill in part of Payment of the Debt & that a Bond of Mr. Deane's belonging to Mr. Shelley which still remains in Mr. Carnegie's hands be attach'd for the remainder.

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THE ACCOMPTANT having Deliver'd in Mr. Lewis Deanes account currant with the Company by which it Appear'd he was indebted to them $ 7481 : 1 : 56, Joseph Walsh Esqr. sign'd & deliver'd a Bond for the Payment of the same in 6 months, with interest at the rate of 10 ℔ Cent ℔ Annum.

ORDERS being given in this Consultation about finishing the Fort at Marlborough in the manner there directed,

ORDER'D further that no other Building whatsoever be set about without Express orders from England, or Fort St. George &

That no Materials for Buildings of any kind shall be purchas'd from henceforth on the Companys account except what Bricks & chinam may be necessary for Finishing the Fort as Directed & what timbers & Boards may be absolutely necessary to finish the Newhouse now carrying on in the Fort & to keep the old Buildings in repair & those to be boug^t. with ready money at the cheapest rate.

ORDER'D that a license for selling Salt at Fort Marlborough & all the Companys other Settlements on the Coast of Sumatra be put up at Outcry on Tuesday next & let to the best Bidder on the Conditions mention'd in this Consultation. SATURDAY 16TH.

TWO BILLS of exchange drawn by the Resident of Moco Moco were presented amounting both to $ 3331–3–27.

ORDER'D that they be accepted & Discharg'd.

The Gentlemen order'd to Survey the Fort & other Buildings belonging to the Honble Company made their report to the Board with an Estimate Annex'd of the charge of Finishing the Fort which by said Estimate will amount to $ 9000.

Pangarans Munco Rajah & Soongey Etam representing that since the resettlement of the Place they had receiv'd no Part of the Dollar ℔ Bahar gratuity allow'd them by the Company on all Pepper produced from the Countreys under their Dominion MONDAY 25°.

ORDER'D that the Accountant examine into the Accompts of Pepper & report what is due to them.

THE SECRETARY reported that Sundry stores belonging to Ship Flandria having been put up at outcry, Captain Dixon proving the best Bidder had bought them for $ 150 Which he then paid into Cash.

The Secretary reported further that the License for selling Salt having according to Orders been put up at Outcry & Messrs. Carnegie, Jeddere & Vangle [*sic*] proving to be the best Bidders it had been let to them at $ 45 ℔ mensem for 3 Years.

A Grant for said license having been prepar'd was then read and sign'd.

MESS^RS. CARNEGIE, WELSH & HOMER deliver'd in a Report that they had Survey'd & Valued the Damag'd Stores taken in at the Cape of Good Hope by the Ship Swallowfeild.

ORDER'D that the Storekeeper receive said Stores at the prices mention'd in the said report.

The Accountant deliver'd in an Acc^t. of Pepper Ship'd off on board the Lethieullier & Swallowfeild from this Place & Sillebar by which it appear'd there was due to Pangarans Munco Rajah & Soongey Etam $ 503 : 3. JUNE TUESDAY 2D.

ORDER'D said sume to be paid & that Pangaram Neore be paid $ 40 for his proportion of Pepper brought into Sillebar.

ORDER'D that the Accomptant drew out an Account Currant between Mr. Peter Shelley & the Company.

THE Accomptant deliver'd in according to order an Account of Debts due To & From the Honble Company the 1st. of March last.

HAVING represented to the Board that I believ'd it wou'd be for the Company's Interest That all Payments of what nature soever on their Account shou'd be made by the Paymaster in the Method there express'd WEDNESDAY 17.

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ORDER'D that from the beginning of the month of July next ensueing all Payments be so made & the Books of Accounts so regulated & the Business transacted accordingly.

HAVING observ'd that it is the Honble Companys positive order That the D. Governour & ev'ry other of Council be answerable for their Cash & that each of the Council have a Key on the Cash Chest

ORDER'D that this Rule be forthwith put in execution & from henceforth continued in the manner & according to the Regulations prescrib'd in this Consultation.

As the Settlement of Moco Moco was now reduced to a Residency & now no further occasion of the Officers of Cash Keeper, Paymaster, Storekeeper, Warehouse-keeper & pepper Godown keeper

ORDER'D that the Accompts of Moco Moco be from henceforth kept in one Account to be sign'd by the Resident and duely transmitted here ev'ry Month to be pass'd.

The Accountant delivers in Mr. Peter Shellys Account Currant with the Houble Company Ballance due from him $ 303 : 1 : 47.

JULY WEDNESDAY 1ST. ALL the Pepper on the place being Ship'd on Board the ship Swallowfeild & the Packet for Europe ready, Sailing Orders of this Date for Captain George Pitt Commandr. of said ship were read and sign'd & deliver'd him with the said Packett.

SATURDAY 4. It having been observ'd that Philip [H]eigham Wheake Resident of Moco Moco had paid the Buggueze Military their whole pay for the month of Aprill notwithstanding he had writt us of the 18th. of said month That he had Discharg'd them & only paid them half that month & that there are some other small Overcharges in his Accounts amounting in all to $ 254–1–.

ORDER'D that he repay said sume into the Honble Companys Cash.

MONDAY 6TH. INFORMATION being given that some Mallays had been brought away by Violence in the Perry Brigantine from the Streights of Sinday & one man suppos'd to be kill'd in the Water indeavouring to swim ashoar

ORDER'D that Mr. Joseph Ormston Supra Cargoe, Joseph Badman Master &cra. be summon'd before the Board & examin'd concerning that affair.

By their Examinations & Affidavit made by Joseph Gun before the Board & by the examinations of Alexander Morley Mate of said Brigantine and 2 more Europeans of her Company it appearing evidently That a man & a Boy with their Boat had been brought away by Violence from the Streights of Sinday & another man fired at on the Water two several times & believed by Severals than on Board to have been kill'd by the 2d. Shott & That the Conduct of Messrs. Ormston, Badman & Morley herein was very inhumane & Barbarous, We agreed that Messrs. Ormston & Badman be

ORDER'D in the mean time to pay the Mallayman & Boy so brought away $ 100, To each 50 to bear their charges back into their own Country That their Boat shou'd be return'd them & that the farther Consideration of that Cruel Action shou'd be referr'd to your Honour &cra. Council of Fort St. George.

IT was then order'd that the Examinations taken on this Affair being enter'd in the Book of Consultations, the Originals shou'd be transmitted hither by this occasion, but by neglect of the Secretary they have not been put up in the Packet.

Having observ'd to the Board that many Leases of the most Profitable Grounds on the Honble Companys Settlement at Fort Marlborough had been granted by their Principall Servants there for 99 Years without any due Consideration requir'd to be paid into their Cash for the Same upon granting them, Or even an Annual Acknowledgement thô requir'd by said Leases & being Joyn'd by the D. Governour & the other Gentlemen of Council in my Opinion That The Granting such Leases for so long a term of Years & without requiring a Just Consideration to be paid into the Companys Cash for the same, was Disposing of their Right & Sovereignty in those Grounds without their Authority, & Contrary to their Honour & Interest: Wherefore

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ORDER'D that all such Leases of 99 Years be Void & agreed upon several Conditions & Regulations under which Leases of the Companys Grounds are to be granted for the future. For the Particulars I beg leave to be referr'd to Consultation of that Date.

OBSERVING that by frequent Removes in Council there are Factors introduc'd there that have little knowledge of the Companys affairs, To avoid that inconveniency in future

ORDER'D that no Factor shall be admitted into Council till he has serv'd three Years as such & That Seniority may be no pretence for Preference.

ORDER'D that it be left to the D. Govern^r. & Council to choose from among such Servants those they shall think of most meritt.

THURSDAY 16TH.

HAVING taken into considerat^n. the Quantity of Companys goods now in their Warehouse at Fort Marlborough occasiond by their having Attach't to the Value of the deficiency found in Cash at M^r. Dunsters decease out of his Estate & that said Goods are liable to Damage & Accidents it was Judged necessary to give the following Order.

ORDER'D that the said Goods be sold as soon as Possible & that M^r. Carnegie assist the Warehousekeeper in selling them according to Directions then given.

HAVING observ'd that 50 ℔ Cent advance had been order'd by the Governour & Council of Fort S^t. George on M^r. Dunster's goods seiz'd for the Companys Account which I believ'd has been Occasion'd by some Misrepresentation of the matter to them & therefore desir'd That the making a Dividend of M^r. Dunsters Estate may be referr'd till further Orders from Fort S^t. George, It was agreed to.

As the Pepper is now constantly shipd off from Fort Marlborough To save the half Dollar ℔ Bahar usually paid for bringing it from Bencolen Thither, RESOLV'D that no more pepper shou'd be receiv'd at Bencolen & the pepper & Salt Godowns there by this Resolve & by having farm'd the Salt license being become Useless to the Company

ORDER'D that both the said Godowns be sold & that the D. Governour & M^r. Carnegie do sell them.

BY The Copys of the Accompts of Reductions, Charges & Refunds order'd to be made into the Honble Companys Cash during my being at Fort Marlborough which I here deliver Your Honour &c^ra. Council will see the Amount.

SATURDAY 18TH.

HAVING comply'd with the Instructions of the Honourable Court of Directors as far as was in my Power I made up my Account of the Honble Companys Cash which was read and pass'd in Consultation, & the Ballance remaing deliver'd over to the Deputy Governour & Council to be kept under their several Locks and keys. The said Ballance amounting as ℔ Receipt under all their hands at the foot of the copy of the Cash Book to the summe of $ ... ... 34261 — 41

Which with the D. Governours Two Bonds
for Messrs. Lewis Deane and Edmund Bugdens Refunds Viz^t.

One of date the 6th. March last for	$	3276	3	39
The other of 6th. May for		7481	1	56
		10758	—	95
TOTAL DOLLARS.		45019	1	36

These two Bonds being lodg'd in the Cash chest The D. Governour, & the other Gentlemen of Council sign'd a Receipt of them in the Book of Receipts for Payments made on the Honble Companys Acco^t.

MONDAY [*sic*] 19TH.

At parting with the D. Governour & Council I deliver'd them the orders comprehended in the paper N°. 3 and recommended them to be put in strict execution.

I have only to mention further our General Letter to which & the other Books & papers contain'd in the List of the Packett, I beg leave to be referrd.

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N°. 3. To the Worship^ll. Joseph Walsh Esqr. Dep'ty Governour &c^a. Council at Fort Marlborough for affairs of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to y^r. East Indies,

Gentlemen

Being now on my Departure from Fort Marlborough in order to go to Madrass I think it is my duty in discharge of the trust reposed in me by The Honble East India Company to remind You of all the necessary & just Orders and Regulations We have Concluded on during my Stay with You.

1 I therefore by Vertue of the Authority I have receiv'd from the Honourable Court of Directors order You strictly to observe the Orders, Rules, Regulations & Prohibitions as You will find them at Large in the several Consultations We have had together.

2 By vertue of the Authority aforesaid I order That M^r. David Carnegie shall remain Paymaster according to Appointment in Consultation till further Orders from England, or from Fort S^t. George.

3 That if M^r. Philip Heigham Wheake shou'd lay down The Company's Service, or shou'd be called to Fort Marlborough, M^r. John Shewen shall be sent Resid^t. of Moco Moco.

4 That in Your next Consultation You make a final Determination of See Gibb's Contract concerning the Sugar Plantation ; and that he obliged to find Cask for y^e. Arrack according to the Intent of said Contract.

5 That as the New Buildings in the Fort are Compleated, & fit for the D. Governour's Lodgings, no more Rent be paid for the Garden House from the first of August next ensuing.

6 That if You shall find it necessary to call M^r. John Savage now Resident of Sillebar to be Assistant to the Paymaster, Accountant, or otherwise to serve at Fort Marlborough, M^r. Alex^r. Fothringham shall succeed him in that Residency.

7 That all the Honble Companys Servants Civil & Military on this Coast shall be allow'd the full & free Liberty of trade according to repeated orders from the Honble Court of Directors to that effect.

8 The Charge of $ 5 ℔ mensem paid by The Company to each of the 4 Dattoes of Bencolen for I know not what service being unnecessary, I leave that & Sev^ll. other Extraordinary Expences to Your Discretion, to Strike Them off in proper time and Circumstances.

9 That all Persons in Possession of Lands, Houses, Gardens, & Grounds under pretence of Leases for 99 Years granted without Authority from the Honble Company for so doeing, which none of their Servants ever had, Whether Companys Servants or others, do conforme themselves to the Regulations made in Consultation relating to said Leases.

10 That Proclamations be made in the Mallay Language & dispers'd thro' all the Country that several Sorts of goods & Wares belonging to the Company are to be sold at the prime Cost the Company paid for them. It is expected that if any of said Goods shall be sold at time there may be some Advance, on them ; But this is left to M^r. Carnegie & the Warehousekeeper, who on any Emergency are to consult the D. Governour & Council.

11 That the above Articles and those concluded on in Consultation be strictly comply'd with and that You may more fully know The Companys Orders, & what they expect from You ; I herewith Leave You a true Copy of my Instructions from the Honble Court of Directors.

Fort Marlborough
20th. July 1724.

I am
Worshipfull Sir & Sirs, &c^a.
[*Lacuna*]

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FORT MARLBOROUGH 22ᴰ. JUNE 1724. N°. 1.

ACCOUNT OF SEVERAL SUMS REFUNDED THE HONBLE COMPANY BY ORDER OF THE WORSHIPFULL JAMES MACRAE ESQᴿ. SUPRAVISOR &Cᴿᴬ. COUNCIL ON ACCOUNT OF THE FRAUDS & OVERCHARGES MADE BY SOME OF THEIR SERVANTS. AS FOLLOWS VIZᵀ.

BY Mᴿ. EDMUND BUGDEN VIZᵀ.

for deficiencys in his Remains as Paymaster —	1517	1	96			
Several Overcharges of Materials to the buildings & fortifications Carried on by him when paymaster as appears by the Books of Consultations &cʳᵉ.	4510	2	70			
				6028	—	66

BY Mᴿ. LEWIS DEANE

An Overcharge in Diet money of $ 150 ℔ᶠ month for 10 months	1500	—	—			
A Chest of Treasure taken out of the Companys Cash on pretence of a debt due from T. Dunster decᵈ.	4000	—	—			
Sixteen months Interest thereon at 10 ℔ᶠ Cᵗ.	533	1	33			
An Overcharge on 43½ Leaguers of Arrack as ℔ᶠ his accᵒᵗ. Currant Amᵗˢ. to	517	3	64			
An Overcharge on 192,148 Bricks as ℔ᶠ his Account which he bought at $ 3 & charg'd at $ 5 ℔ᶠ mille	384	1	19			
				6935	2	16

BY Mᴿ. THOMAS BLACKAL

for what was paid him out of the Companys Cash for repairing a House which he was oblig'd to keep in repair without that Consideration	154	—	—			
His half of the overcharge on 43½ leagᵉ. of Arrack	517	3	64			
				671	3	64

BY Mᴿ. PETER SHELLEY

	Ba.	⊖	qrs.	lb.			
A Deficiency of 89—1 — 14 of pepper whilst he was pepper Godownkeeper ...	981	3	—				
	yr.	mo.					
Interest thereon for 1 : 11 @ 10 ℔ᶠ Cᵗ. ℔ᶠ Añ	180	—	13				
A Difference in Account with Thomᵃ. Dunster decᵈ.	386	1	84				
Interest thereon for 18 mo @ 10 ℔ᶠ Cᵗ. ℔ᶠ Añ	54	3	—				
				1602	3	97	

FROM THE ESTATE OF THOMAS DUNSTER DECᴰ.

An Overcharge of $ 150 ℔ᶠ month on Account of Diet money Continued for 4 months	600	—	—

FROM JOSEPH WALSH ESQᴿ.

An Overcharge of $ 150 ℔ᶠ month on Accoᵗ. of Diet money Continued for five months Vizᵗ. from Octᵒ. 1723 to ffeb. 1723/4 Inclusive	750	—	—
DOLLARS	16588	2	43

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FORT MARLBOROUGH 25TH. JUNE 1724.

ESTIMATE OF THE SEVERAL REDUCTIONS OF CHARGES MADE BY THE WORSHIPFULL JAMES MACRAE ESQR. WHILST SUPERVISOR OF THE ENGLISH SETTLEMENTS ON THE WEST COAST OF SUMATRA BEING A CALCULATION OF THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE FORMER CHARGE TAKEN FROM A MEDIUM OF THE YEAR 1723, AND THAT NOW ESTABLISHED.

	formr. Charge.	Presr. Charge.	Reduction ℔ mo.	Reduction ℔ Ann.
CHARGES GARRISON ...	1501 2 55	914 1 60	587 — 95	7046 3 40
CHARGES DIET ...	684 1 —	480 — —	204 1 —	2451 — —
CHARGES GENERAL in which is Included hospitall Charg.	745 — 73	62 1 3	682 3 70	8193 — 40
CHARGES SLAVES ...	461 — 20	305 2 20	155 2 —	1866 — —
SILLEBAR PAGGAR ...	138 3 48	15 — —	123 3 48	1486 1 76
MOCO MOCO FACTORY.	1262 3 49	350 — —	912 3 49	10954 1 88
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY	157 3 26			
MATERIALS FOR BUILDG	1332 2 24			
ACCOUNT COOLEY HIRE	840 — 85			
	2330 2 35	400 — —	1930 2 35	23167 — 20
			DOLLRS.	55164 3 64

The three last Articles being Casual, it was impossible to Ascertain the Reduction but as Charges Extraordinary will be much lessen'd by the Rules lately giv'n relating to it, Cooley hire entirely Prohibited, the Companys Labour being now performd altogether by their own Slaves, And that there are very near as many Matterials on hand, as will serve to Compleat the ffort and the buildings design'd, Its very Probable these three Articles wont amount in future to more than four hundred dollars ℔ month.

These are the Principall heads of Charge on which the reductions have been made but there Are other Smallr. Articles which having been diminishd in proportion will Lessen the Charge in the whole Above Sixty thousand Dollars ℔ Annum.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRYDAY THE 4TH

NATHANIEL ELWICK ESQR. PRESIDENT.
[*Lacuna.*] [*Lacuna.*]
JOHN EMMERSON. RANDL. FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

Company's orders relatr. to yr. Expences consider'd as likewise yr. report dd. in last Consultn. by yr. Paymaster.

The Companys letter relating to the Reductions of our Expences was now again taken into Consideration and the Paymasters report consider'd of after which it was resolv'd to go thro' the Whole of his Accounts & take the Several Items as they lie in order for the better and more Regular examination.

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The first Article in those Accounts is Charges Garrison which the President inform'd the Board wou'd be Reduced in the next months Acc^{t}. to the Standard fix'd by the Court of Directors, That he had already told them he had discharged sever^{l}. of the Topasses & incorporated the three Companys into two ; & that Since that, he had fix'd them to the Number order'd from England and that the first Company wou'd be ready for reveiwing to morrow morning.

Charges Garrison examin'd into. The Prest. reports w^{t}. progress he had made in reducing y^{t}. head accord^{g}. to y^{e}. Company's orders and that y^{e}. first Compy. so reduced would be ready for reviews. next morning.

Order'd that the Surplus Soldiers be paid a part till such time as We can send them away to Fort S^{t}. Davids or other places where they may be Wanted.

The Surplus men to be upon a seperate role till they can be Sent away.

Major John Roache delivers in a representation which is read and order'd to be enter'd after this Consultation praying that an Addition of Serjeants & Corporals may be allow'd the Number Appointed by the Company not being Sufficient for the Service of the Garrison.

Major Roach's paper relatg. to y^{e}. number of sergeants & Corporals.

Resolv'd upon the debate y^{t}. no alteration be made till we have try'd Sometime whether we can do with the Number Settled by the Present Regulation.

Resolv'd that No alteration be made till we have tried y^{e}. prest. number for some time.

Agreed that we meet to morrow morning to review the first Company & on Tuesday next the Second.

the first Compy to be review'd tomorrow morng.

The next Article under this head is the Gunroom Crew & having strictly Examin'd into the Persons Comprised therein It was agreed & Resolved to discharge the Following Persons.

Particulars of y^{e}. Expence of y^{e}. Gunroom.

Several persons to be discharged.

Caliminaty a Black Smith hitherto employ'd in the Companys business, & allow'd pay on this Role being a Very necessary man & one whom we cannot well do without	P.	7	— —
Thomas Pereira a painter Employ'd always about the Companys Affairs		2	28 —
Order'd that these two persons be Enter'd upon the Role of particular Persons. Manuel Meyer Sexton to be paid in future by the Church		2	19 —
The following have been Discharged Since the Month of July.			
Thomas Body quarter Gunner		5	— —
2 Gunroom Crew at 100 f. each		5	20 —
6 Portugueze at 2 P^{s}. each		12	— —
Order'd that John Cotterel Q^{r}. gunner who has likewise pay as master of Arms be struck out of the Role		5	— —
Another Portuguese order'd to be struck off		2	— —
Pag^{das}.		41	31 —

This will reduce the Gunroom Crew to Pagodas 300 : 5 : ℔ mensem which is more than the Year 1707 P^{s}. 24 : 14 : but which we think cannot be reduced any lower, However

how far this head is reduced wch. is beleived to be as much as possible but however

Resolv'd that the Gunner be told to see what others he can possibly Spare against next Pay day that we may as near as Possible Comply with our Honble Masters orders.

the Gunner to be told to see w^{t}. more can done.

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Particular persons consider'd off.

The Next Article is that of Particular persons.

sundry persons Struck off, & some put on.

It had been before agreed to dismiss Messrs. Way & Johnson but it being absolutely necessary to have somebody to inspect the Buildings &c. from time to time agreed that the Latter be Continued at five pagodas ℔ mensem. The Difference Saved is ... ... P. 15 — —

Thomas Neale assist^t. to The Master of Arms to be Entirely struck off		2 — —
Francis Slaney Book Binder d^o.		4 — —
Edwd. Brookes Coopers mate d^o.		4 — —
	Pag^ds.	25 — —
To be Added to this list Calaminaty Smith ... P.	7 — —	
The Doctors Mates having been in the Military Role as Serjeants & now dismiss'd ; order'd that their pay be adv^d. 2 pagodas each ...	4 — —	
Thomas Pereira Painter	2 28 —	
		13 28 —
Difference is Pag^ds.		11 8 —

the head of Wages & allowances.

WAGES & ALLOWANCES.

Sundry persons Struck off.

Order'd that 3 Headsmiths, 2 head Bricklayers, 1 head Armorer, 2 head Carpenters, 1 head Mooche & 1 of the Barbers be discharg'd at the end of this month.

the other articles to be further explain'd.

The rest of the Articles under this head being pretty much confused It was recommended to the Paymaster to explain in his next Account in what manner, & on what Account they arose y^t. we might the Better Judge thereof.

the above particulars recommended to y^e. Paymaster & agreed to meet to morrow morning to go on in the examination of that Account.

It being late the Board recommended the above Particulars to the Observance of the Paymaster & agreed to meet to morrow morn^g. to examin^e. y^e. remainder of his acc^ts.

Boilers &c^a. for y^e. Sugar plantations at y^e. West Coast to be provided.

ORDER'D that the Storekeeper do forthwith Provide the Boilers &c^a. Utensils for the Sugar Plantations on the West Coast that they may be sent thither as soon as Possible.

N. ELWICK.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

TO THE HONBLE NATHAN^L. ELWICK ESQ^R.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^T. GEORGE &C^A.

HONOURABLE S^R.

I think I am in Duty bound to acquaint Your Honour that Ten Serjeants and Ten Corporals to a Company is not sufficient to do the Duty of this Garrison Having so many Gaurds to Mount which are Actually Serjeants Gaurds, Five in the English Town, Four in the Black and a Serjeant at Your Honours Garden, Not allowing one at Egmore or any of the Out Gaurds. It is very well known to all the Gentlemen of

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the Board That the Serjeant of the Main Gaurd is Obliged to wait upon all the Commanders Strangers &c^ra^. and that one Corporal can never be Sufficient for such a Number as must be kept at the Main Gaurd where there are so many Centinels to be releived And not that only, but is obliged to see all the Plate and Treasure &c^ra^. past Which it is impossible for one man to do. Therefore I hope Your Honour &c^ra^. will take it into Your Consideration For I do declare I desire not one man more than what is Sufficient for Two Reliefs in the Garrison which is as hard Duty as ever was known in any.

I am with all due Respect

HONOURABLE SIR
Your Honours most Obedient &
most Humble Servant
ROACH.

FORT S^T^. GEORGE
SEPTEM^R^. 4TH. 1724.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

NATHAN^L^. ELWICK ESQ^R^. GOV^R^. PRESIDENT.
JOHN EMMERSON. RAND^L^. FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

SATURDAY THE 5TH.

Nundalall & Gopaldause farmers of the measuring duty pay into Cash P. 136 : 24 :—for 2 months Rent of that farm due the 20th. Ultimo. The measurs. farmers pay 2 m^os^. rent of y^t^. farm.

The Examination of the Paymasters accounts being again resum'd, The next Article was that of Peons & Servants Wages ; and lists of the names & Employs of them all being produced and Strictly examined the board came to the following resolution. Paymaster's accot. y^e^. examination of them continued.

That the Cheif Peon be at	P. 2	—	—
The 2^d^. peon	1	18	—
The 3^d^.	1	12	—
Ten more Commonly Call'd Corporals	1	—	—
All the remainder at	—	25	—

reduction of y^e^. peons.

ORDER'D that eighty three peons be discharg'd, Seventy one immediately & twelve more So soon as the last payment is Collected in for the Bridges. further reduction of Ditto.

RESOLV'D that when this Reduction is made the Paymaster do deliver in a List of the Names & Employs of the remainder for our Perusal that if we find a posibility we may bring them to the Number limited by our Hon̄ble Masters. The Paymaster to deliver a list of the names & Employs of the remainder.

AFTER this is the Article of Wages and Allowances which upon Examination We find to be pretty near the same as at the time pointed at by our Hon̄ble Masters so far at least as we can find out by the Accounts for 1709 the former being no where to be found. The difference lies Chiefly in Wages & allowances.

The greater Number of Councillours whose Servants have allowances.

The encrease of Gardners.

Two Mulla's instead of one.

ORDER'D that the Mullas son be discharged, Likewise all the Gardners belonging to the Island Garden. Persia Mulla one discharged. gardeners discharged.

THE Other Articles were not concluded on but recommended to the President to see what further Reduction could be made. other particular persons recommended to y^e^. Presid^t^. to see further reduc'd.

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Island garden sold Mr. Fowke.

Mr. Fowke Offering to Buy the Island Garden & it having never been of any Use to the Company agreed that he be put in possession of it for the sume of fifty Pagodas.

Several other particulars to be further explain'd.

The Several other Items under this head were order'd to be more fully explain'd.

Charges Extraordinary, Charges Diet, Charges Cattle.

As for Charges Extraordinary they are fully express'd & no Alteration can be made therein, Charges diet is already reduced in Compliance with our Honble Masters orders. The next Article is Charges Cattle.

Ditto reduced.

Resolv'd that no more be Allow'd for that expence from this time than the Sume Order'd by the Company.

Two old Horses orderd to be Sold.

Two of the Companys Horses have been a long time Useless being both lame and incurable order'd that they be sold for what they will produce Viz^{t}.

1 Large Persia Sorrel
1 Manhilla Chestnut

Several other articles in y^{e}. paymasters accts. examin'd & frugality recommended to the Paymaster.

The Board then Proceeded to the Several other heads in the Paymasters Account such as repairs of Fortifications Buildings &c^{a}. in which nothing more Cou'd be done but to recommend the Utmost frugality to the Paymaster & to keep a Strict Eye over the several Persons employ'd.

First Company of Soldiers. reviewed.

In Consequence of the Resolutions taken Yesterday We review'd the first Company consisting of the following Persons

1 Major John Roache
1 Lieutenant David Wilson
2 Ensigns Hugh Kennedey
Francis Rush
10 Serjeants
10 Corporals
3 Drummers
70 Europe Centinels
65 Topass.

N. Elwick.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

7 Receiv'd a General from Vizagapatam.

8 Receiv'd a General from Fort S^{t}. David.

At a Consultation
Present

Tuesday the 8th.

Nathan^{l}. Elwick Esqr.	Govern^{r}. Presid^{t}.
James Macrae.	Richard Benyon.
John Emmerson.	Rand^{l}. Fowke.
James Hubbard.	George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.	

Vizagapatam General Letter from thence [read]

General Letter N°. 139 from Vizagapatam read dated 16th. Augt. Advising the Arrival of the Monmouth, what forwardness they are in with respect to the investment, and that having a Larger quantity of Bales than the Good fellow will take in they will freight them on Some other good Conveyance. They Add that the Nabob had demanded a present from them over and above what they had given him at his first comeing to the Nabobship but that they had refused giving him any.

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General Letter dated y^e. 6th. Instant from Fort S^t. David and other Papers being N°s. 140, 141, 142 & 143 read; the Letter Advises y^e. sending their general Books, Cash & Merchants Accounts, & mentions the delitoriness of their Merchants. — Fort St. David General from thence read.

N°. 141 The Warehousekeepers report of y^e. Idleness of the Merchants & the Badness of the Cloth & proposes to have Custom Charged on the turn'd out Cloth. — Ditto-report of the Wareh°. Keeper.

N°. 142 Is a list of Cloth measured since M^r. Turners Arrival amounting to twenty thousand three hundred thirty two Peices. — D°. List of Cloth measured since M^r. Turner's arrival there

N°. 143 Is an Account of Callicoes Sorted since the same time whereby it appears that out of two hundred and eighty Bales only one hundred twenty nine had been taken in. — D°. accot. of Callicoes sorted since M^r. Turner's arrival there.

This Morning we review'd the Second Company Consisting of — second Company of soldiers reviewed.

2 Lieutenants Alex^a. Sutherland
Thomas Ogden.
2 Ensigns Ja^s. Herrington, Philibert A Carte.
10 Serjeants.
10 Corporals.
3 Drummers.
70 Europe Centinels.
65 Topasses.

After which we went to the Sorting Godown where having inspected Several of the Bales that had been pack't and the Cloth that was laid out for Sorting we adjourn'd to the Consultation Room and the above letters being read We found very little Probability of having Cloth sufficient for the Ships to be sent home. We for some time debated & at last resolv'd that none but the very worst of the cloth Shou'd be chop'd, that what did not come up to Muster but might be admitted as N°. 3 Shou'd be lock'd up in a Godown that so if we at last found ourselves necessitated to take any of it We might oblige our Merchants to make Such an Abatement as we Shou'd Judge Proper. — [after] y^e. review removed [to y^e.] sorte. godown [lock]ed over y^e. Cloth & [went to] y^e. Consultation Room. Order'd to chop only the Worst Cloth. The rest to be locked into a godown.

M^r. Macrae having been for sometime indisposed but now Attending the Board deliver'd us the Companys Letter to us by the Swallowfeild & Copy of that to the West Coast by the same Ship and took his place at the Board. — M^r. Macrae takes his place at the Board.

Messrs. Tye, Bartle't & Murray deliver in their Report of the Sunderland & Young Derby as enter'd after this Consultation. — Reports of y^e. Sunderland & Y^g. Derby.

The former of these Ships being in good Condition

ORDER'D that the Warehousekeeper do begin to lade her for Europe. — the Wareh°. Keeper to begin to load y^e. Sunderland.

As for the Young Derby She had been Appointed for Pegue to refitt But M^r. Macrae who is just come from the West Coast being of Opinion that one Vessel is fully Sufficient for the West Coast & we not having any great Business for the Companys Vessels except for that Coast It was Unanimously agreed to sell her but [there] being no Possibility of doing it here it was resolved to put her in a new foremast and send her to the Bay. — The Young Derby to have a new foremast & be sent to Bengal to be sold.

Petition of Samuel Greenslate to be Entertain'd in the Service at Bencolen read & order'd to lie upon the Table to be Consider'd of hereafter. — M^r. Greenslate's petition read & deferred.

A Letter from M^r. Lewis Deane read praying to be repaid the Hundred & fifty Dollars ℔ mensem which he had refunded to the Company on Account of the Diet Allowances which it is agreed to Consider of when we proceed upon the West Coast affairs. — A Letter from M^r. Deane read & the consideration of it deferred.

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Estimate of y^e. charge of rebuild^g. y^e. Shed at the garden battery.

Estimate of the Charge of rebuild^g. the Shed at the Garden Point deliver'd in and Order'd to be enter'd after this Consultation amounting to Eighty Pagodas.

Ord^d. y^t. it be done.

ORDER'D that it be immediately Repair'd.

Egmore bridge to be repaired.

The Arch of the Bridge going to Egmore being crack'd thro' the middle insomuch that it is impassible it is agreed that so soon as ou[r] hurry is over it be Survey'd & Rebuilt.

N. ELWICK.
JA^s: MACRAE.
RICH^D. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

To THE HONOURABLE NATHAN^L. ELWICK ESQ^R.
PRESIDENT & GOV^R. &C^A. COUNCIL OF FORT S^T. GEORGE.

HON̄BLE S^R. & S^RS.

In Obedience to Your Honour &c^TRS. Orders we have been on board the Ship Sunderland and find her in good Condition to receive on Board the Honble Companys Bales &c^RA. to proceed for England.

Likewise we have been on board the Young Derby and found her Foremast Sprung half through about a foot Above the Upper Deck, we are of Opinion She must have a New Foremast before she can proceed any Further.

We are
Your Honours &c^TRS. Most
Humble Servants
JN^O: TYE.
JN^O: BARTLET.
DAVID MURRAY.

CHARGES REPAIRING THE VARANDO AT THE GARDEN BATTERY WHICH IS 22 FOOT LONG 10 BROAD

7 Timbers at 5½	38	18	—
50 Boards	15	—	—
Nails	1	18	—
Carpenters	4	—	—
Tarris Bricks	3	—	—
Chinam, Jaggere & Bricklayers	18	—	—
Pag^ds.	80	—	—

From
S^RS.

Your Very Humble Servant
THO^S. WAY.

FORT ST. GEORGE
JULY Y^E. 30TH. 1724

To M^R. FOWKES

10 Sloop Francis arriv'd with Bales from F^t. S^t. David & brought us a general Letter dated the 8th. instant.

11 Dispatch't a General of Yesterdays date to F. S^t. David.

— Arriv'd Sloop Ramah with Bales & brought us a general from F. S^t. David.

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Sign'd orders to the Masters of the two Fort S^{t}. David Sloops for the delivery of the Bales on Board them. —

Receiv'd a General from Pondicherry. —

Ship Salamany James Berriman Master saild for Pegue. —

Ship Newmarket Joseph Diamond proceeded for Beng^{l}. 12

Ship Prince George Alex^{r}. Dalgleish went to Beng^{l}. 13

Sloops Francis & Ramah sail'd for F. S^{t}. David. —

Receiv'd a general Letter from Mitchlipatam by Peons. 14

At a Consultation

Present

Nathan^{l}. Elwick Esqr.	Govr. Presid^{r}.	Tuesday the 15th.
James Macrae.	Rich^{d}. Benyon.	
John Emmerson.	Rand^{l}. Fowke.	
James Hubbard.	George Drake.	
Joseph Houghton.		

The Accomptant reads the Journal parcels for the month of July. Journal parcels for July read.

Nathaniel Elwick Esq. Mintmaster reads that Account Ballance due from him Eleven pagodas Six fanams & twenty Cash which he now pays in & Rupees 19228: 14: which continue in the Mint. Mint accot. for August read— ball^{ce}. p^{d}. in.

Henry Crawford Farmer of the Arrack and Wine License pays into Cash three hundred thirty five Pagodas for last months rent of that farm. Arrack farmer pays Ps. 335 for last month.

Captain Wilson delivers in a Petition for leave to go to the West Coast which is read & deferr'd till we Shall come to some resolutions about Supplying the Coast. Captn. Wilson's petition to go to y^{e}. West Coast deferred.

General Letters read Viz^{t}.

N°. 144 & 145 both from the Deputy Govr. & Coun^{l}. of Fort S^{t}. David dated y^{e}. 8th. & 9th. Instant the former being covour to invoice and bill of Lading for forty bales on board the Frances, the latter for sixty five on board the Ramah, in this letter they Add that the goods are intolerably bad, That the Merchants say their Cloth is as good as ever and they Cannot furnish better insomuch that for want of Cloth They are Apprehensive of loosing their Washers. Fort S^{t}. David two general Letters from thence read.

N°. 146 From the Governour and Council of Pondicherry to Acknowledge the receit of the Protest from Bombay for an Answer to which they refer us to that deliver'd us in April last by M^{r}. Dumas from them, they Add that they again Propose to us to let this dispute cease till they can receive orders from Europe about it. Pondicherry a general Letter from thence read.

N°. 147 From M^{r}. Holcombe at Metchlepatam dated the 20th. August advising that the Dutch at Metchlepatam are molested by the Country people and talk of withdrawing one of their Factories, he likewise Desires a pair of Horse Pistols for the Phousdar. Metchlepatam General Letter from thence read.

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West Coast accts. deliver'd in by Mr Macrae examin'd.

We then proceeded to examine the Accounts given us by Mr. Macrae as enter'd after the Consultation of the 3d. of this month of his proceedings on the West Coast and went thro' about the one half thereof after which it was Agreed to meet again to Morrow morning & go on in the Examination.

N. Elwick.
Ja^{s}. Macrae.
Rich^{d}. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

16 Receiv'd a General by Toppies from Fort St. David.

At a Consultation

Present

Wednesday the 16th.

Nathan^{l}. Elwick Esqr. Govr. President.
James Macrae. Rich^{d}. Benyon.
John Emmerson. Rand^{l}. Fowke.
James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Fort St. David a General Letter from thence read.

General Letter N°. 148 From Ft. St. David dated y^{e}. 13th. of this month was read in answer to ours of the 10th. excusing the admission of new Merchants to the Contract and the design of reducing their Customs without first acquainting us & askg our leave to do it, advising us what the French are doing and answering the other Particulars in our letter to them.

West Coast accots the Examination of them continued.

after which the Board proceeded on the Examination of the West Coast affair and read the remaining part of Mr. Macraes Account in all which there were but four things which seem'd to require any debate, the first was the Suspension of Mr. Blackal whose charge, reply thereto and the Remarks on said reply being read and debated It was agreed to confirm what had been done the charge appearing to us to be very plainly made appear.

Mr. Blackall's suspension confirmed.

Moneys refunded acct. the 150 drs. ℔ mens. taken by Mr. Dunster Mr. Deane & Mr. Walsh considerd, the Consideration deferred, except in Mr. Deane's case. Mr. Deane not to be rep^{d}. [any] part of w^{t}. so refunded.

The next was the money refunded by Messrs. Dunster, Deane & Walsh on Account of the one hundred and fifty Dollars ℔ month taken for their table, The General Letter to the West Coast ℔ Hertford was read where the Hon'ble Company allowd it upon which it was propos'd to allow that money to be repaid but it appearing that the said Gentlemen had taken several Allowances without paying for them which the Company had order'd Shou'd be paid for and a further Debate arising, the Consideration hereof was deferr'd till Mr. Hubbard Shou'd have extracted all orders from England & this place and resolutions in Council at Bencoolen about this affair, Only it was resolv'd that however we Shou'd agree with respect to Messrs. Dunster & Walsh yet that Mr. Deane having been a Very unfaithfull Servant to the Company & besides having no way answer'd the intentions of our Honble [Masters] in the allowance which was to keep up the Grand [eur] and dignity of a Deputy Governour Shou'd not have any thing repaid him on this Account.

Mr. Wilford's deficiency in the pepper considerd,

the allow^{ce}. made by y^{e}. Supra Visur confirmed.

The deficiency in Mr. Wilfords remains of pepper was the next Article which [app]earing by the Consultations & from Mr. [Macraes] own knowledge to have been rather from the [Leak]iness of the Godowns by which the Water got at, and rotted the Pepper than from any Deceit, It was [agreed] to abide by the determination made of that [affair] at Fort Marlborough Viz^{t}. That the ½ of the deficiency Shou'd be wrote off to Profitt and Loss & y^{t}. [y^{e}.] other be paid for by the said Wilford because it is reasonable to believe that had he been so careful as he ought So much wou'd not have been Spo[iled].

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The last Article was the goods taken into the Companys Possession to make good the deficiency in the Cash on Mr. Dunsters Death which had been allow'd at the prices which he gave for [ym.] but not being likely to produce so much that the Company might not be loosers a Dividend of his Estate had been deferr'd. The Goods Seized for the Compy acct. of Mr. Dunster's debt to them & ye. price consider'd.

Resolv'd that the Estate of Thomas Dunster Esqr. do pay interest to the Honble Company till the debt Shall be paid and that we order those [goods] to be sold immediately and the amount carried to the Creditt of his Account and that so soon as the Company is paid a Dividend be made to his other Creditors. Agreed yt. they be returnd to his Estate & yt. he pay principal & interest of his debt to yr. Company.

N. Elwick.
Jas. Macrae.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Receivd a General from F. St. David by Toppies. 16
Receiv'd a General from Vizagapatam by Peons. —

At a Consultation

Present

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Govr. President. — Friday the 18th.
James Macrae. — Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson. — Randl. Fowke.
James Hubbard. — George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

General Letters read Vizt.

N°. 149 From the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. Davids bearing date the 15th. of this month wherein they advise what they have done about their Military & other Articles of Expence, What Progress the French make in their lading of their Ships for Europe and tell us they have got some of the Musters of the Cloth which the French send home and desire to know if they shall procure any of the Danes & Dutch Musters. Fort St. David General letter from thence [read].

N°. 150 From the Cheif & Council of Vizagapatam dated the 22d. Ult°. accompanying their accounts & Consultations &cre. and giving some advices relating to their Investment. Vizagapatam general letter from thence read.

Resolv'd to write to Bombay, Tellicherry and Bengal to advice the Proceedings & Designs of the French. Resolv'd to write to Bombay Tellichery & Bengal.

The George Brigantine as By the Report of her Condition enter'd after Consultation of the 3d. Inst. not being in any great want of repairs and we having no demand for more goods from Bengall than will come up on the Vessels now there And it being rather too late to send her to Pegue it is agreed to send her Back to the West Coast with Stores to bring away what Pepper they have on hand by the twentieth of November at which time it is resolv'd that she shall be return'd us. The George Brigantine [to be] sent back to Bencoolen.

Agreed to send fifteen Soldiers on her for a Supply of that Garrison. Fifteen Soldiers to go [on her].

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Iron Stone to be sent on her.

There being a Parcel of Iron Stone ready cut in town agreed that we send that aboard the George for Ballast instead of Sand which will be Usefull towards finishing their Buildings.

Medicines to be bôt to send thither.

The Garrison at Fort Marlborough being in great want of Medicines and we not havg. Sufficient for the Supply it is AGREED That the Surgeons be permitted to buy a Parcel that are now in the Place & offer'd to sale if they be good.

Chymical medicines to be bôt for Ft. St. David.

Being Advised that Mr. Wyche lately deceasd at Fort St. David had a few very fine Chymical medicines Agreed that they be bought in there for the Companys Account at a Moderate Valuation.

Ensign Ross's petition to be a factor at ye. West Coast Deferred.

Ensign Rosses Petition to be entertain'd in the Service at the West Coast read & the Consideration of it deferred.

Messrs. Hubbard & Houghton to examine ye. Ft. St. David's accots.

The Deputy Governour & Council of Ft. St. David having Sent us up their last months paymasters account ORDER'D that Messrs. Hubbard & Houghton do examine it Item by Item and Report what charges may be reduced in Compliance with our Honble Masters orders.

The Vizagapatam accots. to be more fully explain'd in order for an Examination.

The Vizagapatam Account being come up but not so fully express'd as they ought to be AGREED that in our next Letter we order a further explanation thereof.

Tobacco Farmer pays in 583: 12:— for last mos. rent.

Poncala Kistna Tobacco and Beetle Farmer pays into Cash five hundred Eighty three pagodas twelve fanams for last months rent of that farm.

Edmund Bugden a petition from him read & an accot. curr. rejected.

A Petition and Account Current deliver'd in by Mr. Bugden read as enter'd hereafter the former Setting forth his Miserable Circumstances and requesting we wou'd repay him some of the moneys refunded by him at the West Coast but he not offering any thing therein towards his own Justification it was rejected.

N. ELWICK.
JAS. MACRAE.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

TO THE HONBLE NATHANL. ELWICK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CNA. COUNCIL.

THE PETITION OF EDMUND BUGDEN

HUMBLY SHEWETH

THAT Your Petitionr. during the time of his Lameness and Indisposition when he Could not give that Attendance to his Employ as otherwise he wou'd have done my Assistants took hold of those Opportunities of wronging the Honourable Companie, James Macrae Esqr. was pleas'd to allow Yr. Petitioner Ps.s. 546 out of the Great charge Exhibited against him & he begs leave to offer to Yr. Honours &cras. Consideration what more You may Please to grant him, otherwise he'l now in his old Dayes be reduced to yc. last Extremity's wholly throwing his Unhappy Self & Cause into Your hands desireing no favour if it can be prov'd he has in the least

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willfully or Knavishly plotted or Defrauded the Honble Company, & on the Contrary that you wou'd tenderly regard the Streights which Yr. Petitioners own Inevitble. Sickness & the unthought of Trechery of others brought him into.

Yr. Petitioner farther requests that as there are Sevll. debts due to him at Fort Marlbrô from Mr. Lewis Dean &ca. Other Persons You'd please strenuously ℔ first Conveyance to write to ye. Deputy Governour &cra. there about it in order to enable Yr. Petitioner to discharge his Debt due to others and as in Duty Bound

SHALL EVER PRAY &cEA.

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Dr.				The Honble. Company.				Cr.		
	Dollrs.	Succ.	C.							
To Goods in Company wth. Mr. Lewis Deane for part payment—	2620	1	17	By what return'd me by the Supravisr. &cra. Council—				545	3	78
To the Amount of ps. Goods House moveables &cts. seizd by a Comittee of the Counll. Appointed in Consultation & Sold at Publick outcry—	3326	2	92	By Ballance—				5402	—	31
	Dollars 5947	—	9					Dollars 5947	—	9

FORT MARLBOROUGH May ye. 15th. 1724.

ERRORS EXCEPTED

℔ EDMUND BUGDEN.

Dispatch'd a General to F. St. David dated ye. 16th. by the Toppies. 18

Dispatch'd Likewise by Pattamars a General to Bombay and another to Tellicherry both of Yesterdays date. —

Receiv'd a General by Peons from Ingeram. 19

The Young Derby Captain Oliver Steward belonging to the Honble Company sail'd for Bengal by whom we sent a General to the Prest. & Council dated ye. 18th. Instant. 20

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

NATHANL. ELWICK ESQR. GOVERNR. PRESIDENT.
JAMES MACRAE. RICHARD BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. RANDAL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

TUESDAY YE. 22D.

Richard Benyon Export Warehousekeepr. reads that Account for last month ballance due from him One thousand three hundred ninety Six pagodas twenty fanams & Six Cash of which he pays in one thousand Pagodas but he

Expt. Wareho. acct. for August read. Ps. 1000 pd. in on yt. acct.

Requesting one thousand pagodas to Advance the Painters for Chints Order'd that it be paid him.

Ps. 1000. advd. the Wareho Keeper for the painters.

Richard Benyon Import Warehousekepr. reads that Account ballance due from him Seven hundred Eighty Six pagodas Seven fanams & Seventy four Cash.

Impt. Wareho. accots. for August read.

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Paymaster's acct. for yr. last year d[d]. in.

Randal Fowke Paymaster deliverd in his Paymasters Accounts for the last year Commenc[g] ℔ mo. May 1723 ending Ult[o]. April 1724 which is deliverd the Accomptant.

Paymaster's acct. for August read.

Randal Fowke Paymaster reads his Account for last month Viz[t].

Charges Garrison	P. 1920	7	40
Charges General	540	9	30
Godowns by the ½ moon Battery	95	22	5
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Repairs of Fortifications	57	15	75
Bombay Presidency	40	—	—
Garden Point	81	18	40
Charges Diet	583	12	—
Fort Marlbrô	1	—	—
Charges Extraordinary	38	6	—
Hospital Charges	31	26	—
	3455	33	30 ball.

due to him two thousand two hundred thirty five Pagodas nineteen fanams & Seventy Cash.

Extraordinary Expence examin'd into.

The Extraordinary Expence of this month being Examin'd into arises from the following particulars—

GODOWNS BY THE HALF MOON BATTERY						
for Materials used & Workmen Employ'd				P. 95	22	5
GARDEN POINT REPAIRING						
for Materials & Workmen				81	18	40
MARLBOROUGH FORT						
paid Zacheas Bradley Corporal there his Wife				1	—	—
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY						
Allowance money to M[rs]. Cowses children	15	—	—			
D°. to M[rs]. Burton & Children	25	—	—			
				40	—	—
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY						
Diet to 11 Prisoners as ℔' Marshals note	11	—	—			
Diet to 4 West Coast Coffres	6	—	—			
p[d]. Soldiers at Christening their Children	2	—	—			
p[d]. head money for 17 Souldiers from on Board the Sunderland	18	32	—			
Boat hire bringing them ashore	—	10	—			
				38	6	—
				PAGODAS 256	10	45

Metchlepatam acc[ts]. from thence reported to be right.

The Accomptant reports the Metchlepatam Accounts to be right and that the Yearly Am[t]. is much the same as Usual.

Desks & pigeon holes to be made for y[e]. accompt[s]. office.

He likewise reports he is in want of Desks and Pidgeon Holes for the Office which the Paymaster is order'd to provide.

Major Roach's 2d. representation read, agreed y[t]. there be 13 Sarjeants & 13 Corporals.

Major Roache delivers into the Board a Second Representation wherein he sets forth the Necessity of having Some Serjeants & Corporals added to the Number Limited by the Honble Companys Reduction in order to perform the Duty of the Garrison which being Maturely debated and the necessity of Complying therewith Appearing very Plain It was AGREED to make thirteen Serjeants instead of Ten & the same Number of Corporals.

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Ingeram, General Letter from thence read.

General Letter N°. 151 from M^r. John Blunt dated the 28th. August inclosing Copy of y^r. by the Ingeram Merchant and Advising her leaveing that Port bound hither two days before the Dispatch of that Letter.

Bills of Exchange 2 Sets Sign'd.

The following Bills of Exchange were given of this date on the Honble Court of Direct^rs. at 8 ℔ Pagoda & 2 m^s. Sight 1 s^t. 2 d. & 3 d. to Captain John Harry or Order Value of M^r. George Sitwell ... ... P. 5790 — —

1. 2 & 3^d. to M^r. John Biggins or Order value of Messrs. Turner Wilson & Munroe 1863 35 27

Pag^ds. 7653 35 27

Messrs. Wilson & Ross withdraw their petitions.

The Board then Proceeding on the West Coast affair Messrs. Wilson & Ross desired leave to withdraw their Petitions which was granted.

M^r. Hubbard's report about y^e. Diet allowancee, that affair referred to y^e. Company.

M^r. Hubbard delivers in a report as enter'd after this Consultation about the West Coast diet allowances to the Deputy Governour which being Consider'd it was resolv'd to refer the matter to the Company for their decision but that till we had their Orders it Shou'd rest as it is.

Only ten Soldiers to be sent to y^e. West Coast instead of fifteen.

The James & Mary being bound to Bencolen and in all propability having Soldiers on board for that Place it was AGREED to send but ten men Upon this Vessel instead of fifteen & ten more by the next Conveyance.

M^r. Smith's petition to go to the West Coast

M^r. Alexander Smith delivers in a Petition as enter'd after this Consultation to be entertain'd in the Service at the West Coast.

Granted & he appointed to be next to Councill wth. the reasons thereof.

He having been Extreamly Serviceable to the Honble Company at the Cape and as far as we can Judge by the Accounts receiv'd from him very faithfull and frugal in the Management of what came under his charge AGREED that he goes over to Fort Marlbrô a Factor with orders to be made Secretary on his Arrival and to succeed in Council the first Vacancy.

M^r. Greenslate's petition to go to y^e. West Coast Granted.

M^r. Greenslates petition being again taken into consideration he was permitted to go being very well Qualified for Business.

Indentures to be got ready & they to get Bondsmen.

ORDER'D that the Secretary get Indentures ready for them and advise them to provide bondsmen for their good behaviour & performance of their Covenants.

two Seals to be sent to y^e. West Coast.

ORDER'D that two Seals one large and one Small be provided for Fort Marlbrô.

Company's orders about not trade, to y^e. West Coast consider'd.

Resolution thereupon.

The 79 paragraph of the General Letter ℔ Heathcote being then Consider'd it was AGREED That no Honest man wou'd live at the West Coast without the Advantages of Trade and that the Company cou'd not in this Paragraph design to debar their Servants on that Coast from it but only those here, wherefore It was resolv'd That we will permit no Goods to be sent to the West Coast by any body except for Account of Persons there, That the Captain Shall be allow'd Eight hundred Pagodas and his Officers five Priviledge & that Messrs. Smith & Greenslate have liberty to carry over their Effects wth. them in goods.

Further resolution thereupon.

RESOLV'D that this Explanat^n. of the Companys order be Constantly observ'd till It shall be either confirm'd or disapprov'd by the Honble. Court of Directors & that we refer it home to them by the Sunderland.

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General Letter to ye Wt. Coast to be got ready.

ORDER'D that the General Letter to the West Coast be got ready.

N. ELWICK.
JA^{S}. MACRAE.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

TO THE HONOURABLE NATHANIEL ELWICK ESQ^{R}.
PRESID^{T}. & GOVERN^{R}. OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE, FORT S^{T}. DAVID &C^{RA}.

HON^{BLE}. SIR

I Wrote Your Honour a few lines some time ago To Request that You would be pleas'd to allow us a few Serjeants & Corporals more only Sufficient for two Relieffs of the Garrison Which I hope Your Honour &c^{ra}. have taken into Consideration, for I do assure You I desire not a Man more than what is Sufficient for two Reliefs which is as hard Duty I think as ever was known in any part. Your Honour &c^{ra}. I believe are Sensible of my being Entertain'd by the Honble Company in England on the same terms I was Major of this Garrison before. But it seems their Letters by the last Shipping have Contradicted their former Orders. However Since the Honourable Company has been pleas'd to allow me two Servants from England, I hope Your Honour &c^{ra}. will allow me that At least untill the Companys Pleasure is known.

I am with all due Respect
HONOURABLE SIR
Your Honours most Obedient and most Humble Servant
ROACH.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
SEPTEMBER 22^{D}. 1724

TO THE HONBLE NATHAN^{L}. ELWICK ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R}. OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE &C^{RA}. COUNCIL.

HONBLE S^{RS}. &C^{RA}.

In Obedience to your Orders I now lay before You a State of the Diet money & allowance of Liquors Settled by M^{r}. Thomas Cook at the West Coast when he was Supravisor there with what the Honourable Court of Directors & the Governour and Council of this Place have since order'd in relation thereto.

In The Fort Marlborough Consultation of the 7th. of September 1718 the Diet money & Allowances were introduced in lieu of the General Table which had been for a long time kept up the nature of which is very fully set down there & Contains in Substance that the Company having Complain'd very much of the Large Sums expended for charges Diet which then amounted from $ 1500 to 1700 a Month, M^{r}. Cooke proposed a Certain allowance of Dyet money & Liquors to each of the Covenanted Servants which by Calculation wou'd amount to no more than Doll^{rs}. 604 : 2 and the Company thereby Save $ 1000 ℔ mensem wch. was agreed to ther^{s} and Consisted of the Following—

To the SupraVisor in money	$ 40
To the 2^{d}. of Council	25
To ea. of the others	20
To the Factors, Captains & Surgeons	15 ea.
To the Writers	10 D^{o}.

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The Allowances in Wine or Such Europe Liquors as might be sent by the Honourable Company or the Governour & Council of this Place were Settled in the following Proportions—

To the SupraVisor	80 Bottles ℔ men^{m}.
To the 2^{d}. in Council	48
To the rest	40 ea.
To the Factors, Lieuten^{ts}. & Surgeons	30 ea.
To the Writers	20 ea.
The Allowance of Arrack was as follows	
To the Supravisor	24 Gallons.
To the 2^{d}. of Council	14½
To the others	12 ea.
To the Factors, Lieut^{s}. & Surgeons	9 ea.
To the Writers	6 ea.

Which Allowances of Europe Liquors & Arrack the former being Computed to Cost 1 Dollar ℔ Gallon and the Latter 30 Dollars ℔ Leag^{r}. are Added to the other allowances of money & make altogether for 28 persons the aforemention'd Sume of 604 : 2 a Month. In the same Consultation it is order'd that the Storekeeper dispose of all Dieting Stores & House Utensils under his charge to the Companys Servants for the use of their Tables at 20 ℔ Cent upon Invoice. It is also Added that as the Captains, Supra Cargoes and the better sort of Strangers had no other Place to resort to then the Supravisors Table That wou'd put him to a great Charge which was to be referr'd to the Company in hopes they wou'd allow him Something Extraordinary on that Account.

In the General Letter from the West Coast to this place by the Queen Dated Novr. 29th. following this matter is referr'd to the Governour & Council for their Approbation. The Purport of the Paragraph relating to this affair is that the Company will by this Establishment be at above 1000 Dollars a month less Charge than they had before been at, that Provisions being Very Scarce there, it wou'd be impossible for the Companys Servants to subsist on their Diet money without a Proportionable Allowance of Liquors, that the Deputy Governour was at above 250 Dollars a month charge over and above his allowances on account of the better Sort of Strangers having no other place to resort to but his Table and desiring he might have a further allowance granted him on that account.

In January 1718/9 the Benjamen was Dispatch't from the West Coast to England, by whom a General Letter was Sent to y^{e}. Court of Directors wherein this affair was laid before them but in what manner I can't Say that Letter being no where to be found but I believe to the same purpose as what wrote to this place by the Queen.

In the Companys Letter to y^{e}. West Coast by the Hartford dated March 9th. 1719 which is an Answer to that wrote from thence by the Benjamen I find two Paragraphs relating to this matter which I shall now Set down [in] the Very words of the Letter.

THE 40TH. PARAG^{H}. We Send you the same Quantity of Stationary Ware as last Year & Vinegar Pickles & 2 pipes of Wine as ℔ Invoice. Be frugal in the Use of them, what remains sell to the best advantage for our Account remembring You may expect Yearly fresh Supplies if desired. As to our Covenant Servants who have Diet money Such part of the Stores as they Shall Want for their table Use let them have them for only So far at Your proposed rate at twenty Per Cent on Invoice, the others must give the Market price for the Surplus aforesaid. As to the Madera Wine that we find you have Computed at a Dollar a Gallon in the Account of Diet Expences.

PARAGRAPH 71. We have consider'd the 28th. & other Paragraphs of Your Letter ℔ Benjamen as also the Consultation of the 30th. of September all relating to the allowance of Diet mony at Fort Marlbrô & in the Consultation y^{e}. Method it was Settled at as to Allowance of money for Diet & Quantity or Value of Europe Liquors & the Quantity of Arrack & do allow the proportions therein mention'd & in regard the Deputy

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Governour will be at an extraordinary Charge because of the better Sort of Strangers having recourse to his Table, we do allow him one hundred & fifty Dollars a month besides the 40 Dollars allow'd him to answer that Surplus Expence which we hope will fully [reimburse] him for tho' at sometimes it may be too little when Several Ships are in the road yet at other times there will be few or none, neither need he keep open house all Y^e^. Year Round. We have before said y^t^. we do Consent to the allowance out of our Stores at twenty ℔ Cent on Invoice & the Madera Wine at five Shillgs the Gallon to Supply the Proportion or allowance mention'd to every one in that Consultation. We take this reducing the Stewards Expences we So justly Complaind of as a good Earnest You will do y^e^. Like in other things.

In the Fort S^t^. George Consultation of the 30th. of March 1721 presently after y^e^. arrival of the Hartford I find M^r^. Thomas Cook desires to be paid the allowance of Dollars 150 ℔ mensem during the time he was Deputy Governour of the West Coast for his Diet and Charges according to the Companys Orders in their Letter by that Ship amounting to Dollars 900 & is paid that Sum accordingly.

The Next General Letter the Company Wrote to the West Coast was by the Good fellow dated the 14th. of September 1720 in which is the following Paragraph.

PAR^GH^. 31. M^r^. Cooke the late Deputy Governour had introduced the allowing Diet money instead of keeping a Publick table, we wou'd have that Continued whereby the unaccountable expences of late under that head of a General table would be in future prevented.

To the same purpose the following Paragraph from hence to the West Coast by the George Brigantine Dated the 26th. of Decem^r^. 1721.

We Direct the Diet Allowance be on the foot Establish'd by M^r^. Thomas Cooke when Supra Visor there having been approv'd by our Honble Masters.

Thus have I laid before Your Honour &c^ra^. all that I can find mention'd from England or this place in relation to the Diet & allowances Settled by M^r^. Thomas Cooke when Supravisor of the West Coast & am with all respect

FORT S^T^. GEORGE — HONOURABLE S^R^. &C^RA^.
SEPTEM^R^. Y^E^. 22ND. 1724. — Your most Obedient Humble Servt.

JAMES HUBBARD.

26 Receiv'd a General from Fort S^t^. David by Toppies.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 28TH. — NATHAN^L^. ELWICK ESQ^R^. GOVERNO^R^. PRESIDENT.
JAMES MACRAE. — RICH^D^. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. — RAND^L^. FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD. — GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

Acco^t^. Salary for last Six months produced, order'd to be paid. The Accomptant produces the Acc^t^. of Salary due for these last six months to the Honble Companys Covenanted Servants amounting to one Thousand five hundred Sixty five Pagodas five fanams & forty Eight Cash which is order'd to be paid & the Account to be enter'd after this Consultation.

Sea Customer's acc^t^. read. John Emmerson Sea Customer Reads that Account for last month Viz^t^.

Custom on goods imported	P.	1269	10 26
Anchorage		87	— —
Pag^ds^.		1356	10 26

P^s^. 5000 p^d^. in on that accot. Ballance due from him Nine thousand six hundred thirty four Pagodas thirty three fanams and thirty Seven Cash of which he now pays in five thous^d^. Pagodas.

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George Drake Storekeeper delivers in a report of the Cordage ℔ Heathcote and Sunderland which is Enter'd after this Consultation. Storekeeper reports the Cordage by ye. Heathcot & Sunderland.

He Likewise reads his Account for last month ballance due from him Ps. 5243 : 13 : 60. Do. reads his acct. for August.

James Hubbard Land Customer pays into Cash four hundred and Eight pagodas twenty five fanams and Sixty three Cash ballance of his Acct. for last month. Land Customer's ballance pd. in.

Joseph Houghton Rental General & Scavinger pays into Cash five hundred fifty five Pags. thirteen fanams on the following Accounts Viz.t Rental General and Scavinger pays mony on those accts.

Acco.t Scavingers duty ... ... P.	100	—	—
Acc.t ye. Quit rent Role	302	31	—
Six months rent Comps. old Garden	75	—	—
3 mos. butteca Rent & Shroff duty	77	18	—
Pags.	555	13	—

The Inhabitants pay into Cash the Sume of two thousand pagodas being the last payment for the Bridges. [Ps. 2000] pd. in acct. of the Bridges.

Messrs. James Hubbard & John Lauder deliver petitions to the Board the former for liberty to send Captain Jeddere at the West Coast some goods being a ballance of an Account Currant due to the said Jeddere, the latter to send some to Mr. Carnegie in returns for moneys of the said Carnegies lying in his hands. The Petitions are Enter'd after this Consultation & granted. Messrs. Hubbard & Lauder's petitions for leave to send goods to ye. West Coast. granted.

Resolv'd that all goods licens'd upon the George Brigantine Shall pay four ℔ Cent for freight on her Arrival at Fort Marlborough. All goods sent to the West Coast to pay four ℔ Cent freight.

Bills of Exchange of this date on the Honourable Court of Directors at 8. ℔ pagoda at 2 mths. Sight signd Viz.t Bills of Exchs. Sign'd.

1, 2 & 3d. To the Order of Monsr. D'Lorme for ... Ps.	493	—	—
1, 2 & 3d. To the Order of Mr. Peter Christopher le Noir for	1537	—	—
	2030	—	—

both Value of Father Thomas Capuchine Fryar.

General Letter from F. St. David No. 152 dated 24th. Instant read excusing the bad Sorting of some of the Bales lately sent up and giving an Acct. of the Measures taken towards mending the Investment. Fort St. David General Letter read.

N. Elwick.
Jas. Macrae.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

To the Honble Nathl. Elwick Esqr.
Presidt. & Governr. of Fort St. George &cra. Council.
Honble. Srs. &cra.

Captain Michael Jeddere at Fort Marlborough having remitted me some money from [there] to provide him Necessarys I desire Your Honours &cas. Permission to

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send on Board the George Brigantine one Small Chest & one Small Bale of Waring Apparel & a box of Shoes. I am

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SEPTEM^{R}. 30TH. 1724.

HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. &C^{EA}.
Your most obedient Humble Servt.

JAMES HUBBARD.

TO THE HON^{BLE}. NATH^{L}. ELWICK ESQ^{R}.
PRESID^{T}. & GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE &C^{EA}. COUNCIL.

HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. &C^{EA}.

We have in obedience to Your Orders examin'd the Europe Cordage sent out this Year ℔ Ships Heathcote & Sunderland and Besides one Cable N°. [1 & of 13] Incles and one Hawser N°. 6 ℔ Ship Heathcote and one Coil of Rope N°. 17 ℔ Sunderland which are Very bad We find all the rest to be tolerable Good which is what we have to Observe to Your Hon^{r}. &C^{re}. more than that we are

HON̄BLE S^{R}. & S^{RS}.
Your most Obedient Humble Serv^{ts}.

GEO: DRAKE.
JOHN POWNEY.
DAVID MURRAY.

TO THE HONOURABLE NATHANIEL ELWICK ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE &C^{EA}. COUNCIL.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF JOHN LAUDER

SHEWETH

That M^{r}. David Carnegie of Fort Marlbrô having at several times made remittances to Your Petition^{r}. in order for to be Invested in goods Proper for that place on the said Carnegies Account and there now being a Ballance due to the said Carnegie in Your Petitioners hands which he is order'd to remitt in goods by the first Conveyance

Your Petitioner therefore in regaurd the Honourable Company have been pleas'd lately to prohibite all trade that way thinks its Duty incumbant on him both with respect to the Honourable Companys orders and the said Carnegie To request the Permission of the Honble. board for remitting the amount or what part of his Ballance can conveniently be done by the George Brigantine and with Submission he beggs leave to represent That the greatest part of the said Ballance was remitted to Your petitioner before the Honourable Companys orders arriv'd prohibiting the trade to the West Coast.

In Consideration of which and of the Loss the said M^{r}. Carnegie may Probably Sustain by having his money lie dead in case You are not so Indulgent as to permitt his Ballance now to be remitted to him Your Petitioner hopes You will be pleas'd to grant his request and he as in Duty bound shall

EVER PRAY.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATURDAY 3^{D}.

NATH^{L}. ELWICK ESQ^{R}. GOVERN^{R}. PRESIDENT.
JAMES MACRAE. RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. RANDAL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

Storekeeper pays into Cash two thous^{d}, pagodas.

George Drake Storekeeper pays into Cash two thousand Pagodas in part of his last months Ballance.

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Richard Benyon Import Warehousekeeper pays into Cash five Pagodas thirty four Fanams & four Cash being so much Short paid in the 5th. Augst. for a Chest of Crusadoes sold Suncaramah & Tomby Chitty having deducted 3 dwts. instead of $2\frac{1}{2}$ W°. than [Strd.] difference $\frac{1}{2}$ dwt. is 7 : 17 : 3 at 15 for 10 ps. amounts to Pagodas 5 : 34 : 4.

oz. dwt. gr. ds.

Impt. Wareh°. Keepr. pays into Cash 5-34-4 for an Error in sale of a Chest of Silver.

The President reads the Acct. of the Honble Company Cash ballance remaining twenty five thousand Seven hundred thirty six Pagodas thirty fi[ve] fanams & Seventy Seven Cash.

Cash accot. read.

James Hubbard Land Customer reads [yt.] Account for last month—

Choultry Customs	P.	306	29	2
Ruby Brokeridge		59	14	50
Registring Slaves		1	20	—
	Ps.	397	27	52

Land Customers acct. read.

ballance due from him three hundred Seventy five Pags. thirty fanams & fifty two Cash.

The Storekeeper delivers into the board an Accot. of the deficiencys in the Sunderlands Cargo as entered after this Consultation.

Deficiencies in the Cargo of ys. Sunderland reported.

The Captain being called upon & paym[ent] for the said deficeneys demanded he replied that it was impossible to avoid having Some Waste on those goods by drying, leakidge, rust &cra. & that the Coals by Shifting backward & forwards broke into Small bitts & consequently must come out Short of the first measure so that he Cou'd not pay for them.

Payment demanded of ys. Captn. & his reasons for non compliance.

It appearing to us that the Waste in the Several Articles of the report did proceed from the causes He assign'd for them ORDER'D that they be Endors'd off of the Bill of Lading and that Accot. Currant London be debted for the same.

The Deficiencies to be wrote off & acts. Curt. Londo. debted for the Same.

The Paymaster produces the Several roles to the Board of the Military, Gunroom & peons for the last moth. which are Order'd to be paid.

Military &ct. roles prodt. to ys. board & ordd. to be pd.

ORDER'D that five hundred Pagodas be ad vanc'd him on that Acct.

500 pags. advd. ys. Paymaster on that acct.

There being twenty Rash Boot Peons who have behav'd themselves very well & been always entertain'd at thirty fanams who refuse to Continue in the Service without an Advance pay to the Common Peons

20 Rashboot peons allow'd thirty fanams ℔ month.

AGREED that they be allow'd thirty fanams each.

Francis Page a Serjeant having Serv'd the Company in this Garrison between Eleven & twelve Years desiring his discharge AGREED that it be granted.

Sergeant Page discharged.

Messrs. Hubbard & Houghton deliver in their report of the Fort St. David Paymasters Accots. as Enter'd after this Consultation.

report of ys. Committee appointed to examine ys. pts. St. David acots. dt. in.

ORDER'D that it be Copied & Sent down in our next general.

ordd. to be sent thither.

Bills of Exchange of this days date Sign'd to the order of Mr. Thomas Pennyman value of Messrs. John Lauder & Nicholas Morse for one thousand four hundred forty two pagodas thirty three fanams & fifty Cash paybic. at 8 s ℔ pagoda @ 2 months Sight by the Honble Court of Directors.

Bills of Exchs. Sign'd.

A parcel of Coral having been endeavour'd to be run was Seiz'd by the Searcher at the Sea gate whereupon the Owner making a Complaint It was examin'd into & found that the Coral was Clandestinly brot. in & designd to be run Wherefore

Some Coral clandestinely brot into ys. place ordd. to be sold.

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ORDER'D that it be Sold at Outcry y^e. ½ for the Benefit of the Company and the other to be devided among the Officers at the Gate.

Surgeons acc^t. of medicines bôt for y^e. W^t. Coast d^d. in.

The Surgeons produced an Acc^t. of Medicines bought for the West Coast According to orders of Consultation of the 18th. Ultimo amounting to Pagodas one hundred & Six, thirty five fanams & forty Cash.

George Brig^ne. her dispatch Signed.

Sign'd the George Brigantines dis[patch] dated for to morrow.

M^r. Macrae thanks return'd him from ye Board for his proceed^gs. at Marlbrô.

Having Examin'd & approved M^r. Macraes Proceedings on the West Coast the President by Unanimous Consent of the Board return'd him thanks in the name of the Company for the Same.

N. ELWICK:
JA^s. MACRAE.
RICH^D. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

LIST OF STORES WANTING OF INVOICE ⚜ SHIP SUNDERLAND.

Iron Europe	6	2	11	Lost by rust	Pag^s.	13	7	5
Cordage Europe	4	—	2	Dried		13	14	10
Bolt Iron	—	1	18	Lost by rust		1	14	75
Iron Crows	—	—	2	d^o.		—	2	20
Hoop Iron	—	—	14	D^o.		—	12	60
Rod Iron	—	2	18	d^o.		1	28	10
Nails	—	2	20	D^o.		3	14	10
Lanthorn Glasses 5 Broke						—	18	—
Tarr 15 Gallons leak'd						1	4	40
Sea Coles 2 Chaldron 15 Bushells						7	29	70
Gun Powder Europe 1¾ Barrel dried						14	2	50
Deals 60 P 6 : 26 Yew Firrs 3, f^s. 26 Used for the Sea Coles						7	16	—
					Pag^ds.	64	20	30

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SEPTEM̃. THE 30TH. 1724.

GEO: DRAKE
Storek^r.

TO THE HON^BLE. NATH^L. ELWICK ESQ^R.
PRESID^T. & GOVERN^R. OF FORT S^T. GEORGE &C^RA. COUNCIL.

HON^BLE. S^R. & S^R.

In Persuance of Your Honour &c^ra. orders we have Examin'd the Paymasters Acco^t. from F^t. S^t. David for the month of August last, & have Compar'd it with the Sever^l. former Paymasters accounts from thence from the Year 1708 upon which & considering the Several Paragraphs in the Companys letters this Year tendg̃ to reduce the Charges of that Settlement we Shall now offer the following remarks on each Article of the Charges for your Honours &c^ras. Consideration.

1st. Charges Garrison consists at Present.

Lieutenants 3 @ Pag^ds. 12 ea.	36	—	—
Ensigns— 5 9 ea. & one at Pagodas 2 Extraordinary as Gentle^n. of Arms—	47	—	—
Serjeants— 36 at Pag^ds. 5 ea. but 2 of them are allow'd 1 more, one being Marshal & the other Master of Arms at Cuddalore	182	—	—
Corporals—51 @ 3 : 6 ea. (ps. fs.) one of whom receives fa. 13 extraordinary as Marshal of Cuddalore	170	12	—
Europe Centinels 78 @ P^s. 2 : 9½	197	3	—

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Topasses—	74 @ Ps. 2	148	—	—
Do.	210 @ Ps. 1 : 13	361	12	—
Do.	7 at 1 : 7	9	13	—
Drummers—	1	3	6	—
Do.	8 @ 2 : 9½	20	4	—
473 Persons amounting to	Pags.	1175	14	—

But the Company having by these Ships order'd that the Military at Fort St. David Shal Consist but of 2 Companys of 150 men ea. & in order to make that reduction have directed several of the Points to be withdrawn, we Shall now set down the number of men at Present employ'd at those Gaurds, Horse Tail Point, Middle point, Royal Oak & Patcheree, in all there are

Military men	58
At Cuddalore in Tyle point, Dieu Point & Channa Tope	32
& they having allow'd 40 men Sufficient for the Fort with the Gunners we find there at Present 98 of which may be Spar'd	58

in all 148 which when withdrawn agreable to the Companys Orders there will remain but 325 & leaving out the Lieutets. but 322 men which is butt 22 more than they have allotted for that Garrison, we have very good reasons to believe that there are Several Names of Persons put down that have no real being under the Notion of Servts. to the Officers which if Struck off will very much lessen the overplus of 22 Abovemention'd & if any then remain they may well Enough be taken from the other Gaurds. We observe among the Europe Centinels at Ps. 2 : 9½ ea. Several Portugueze names, these persons ought not to be put among the Europeans & if such people had been deserving during the Chingy Warrs or any other Occasion we believe it wou'd be Sufficient Encouragement to let them remain @ 2 Ps. ea. a month.

In the Fort St. David Paymasters Accot. for Septem̃. 1712 wch. was a month or [more] after the Warr was over we find but 30 Topass Centinels at Pagds. 2 ea. who we may very reasonably Suppose were all that were thought worthy of any distinguishing favour for their good Behaviours, what reason there has been Since for raising their Number to 74 as we find at Present we can't perceive but think if they be now reduced to 30 as at the above mention'd time considering how many of them may have since died or left the Place there will be room Enough to distinguish all of any Extraordinary Meritt.

Upon the whole as the Garrison is to be reduced to 300 men we shall now Calculate their charge allowing the Same Number of Officers the Hoñble Company have order'd for the Place Vizt.

2 Lieutenants @ ps. 12 ea.		24	—	—
4 Ensigns	9	36	—	—
20 Serjeants	5	100	—	—
20 Corporals	3 : 6	66	12	—
6 Drummers	2 : 9½	15	3	—
130 Centinels allow'g. 65 to ea. Company	2 : 9½	328	11	—
30 Topasses Centinels	2	60	—	—
90 Do.	1 : 13	155	—	—
		785	8	—
Of these one of the Ensigns has been always allow'd Pagds. 2 Extraordinary for Master of Arms at the Fort & one Serjeant Ps. 1 on the same Account at Cuddalore		3	—	—
		788	8	—
Also one Serjeant at the Fort is allow'd 1 Pa. Extra as Marshal & 1 Corporal f. 12 at Cuddalore		1	12	—
		790	2	—

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these we have set down as we find it has been practis'd for a Long time without being found fault with but must refer it to Your Honour &c^ra^. whether they must be now Continued.

There is also one Lieutenant & one Ensign Supernumerary.	21	—	—
So that the whole Charge of the Military if Establisht as above is ... ... Pag^ds^.	811	2	—
Which deducted from Pag^ds^. 1175-14 they now Stand charg'd at, there will be Sav'd to the Company ⅌'mo^th^. Pag^s^.	364 :	12	—

We have put no Topasses in the above mention'd List at Pag^s^. 1. 7 a month thô we find Some few in their Acc^ts^. to stand about that Pay because by the great reduction made in the Number of the Military it will be necessary to have none but good men & we fear & are inform'd that none but Worthless Fellows will Serve at so low a rate, we are not unsensible that the Company recommend this & if it is practicable with Safety it ought to be done but whether it be or no we must leave to Your Honour &c^ra^. Considerat^n^.

Gunroom Crew Consists at Present of 103 Persons Amounting to Pag^s^. 257 5 —

Of these there is one Gunner @ 13 pag^ds^. 1 Mate @ 9, 1 D^o^. @ 6, 1 D^o^. @ 5. 9½, 7 D^o^. @ P. 5, 3 D^o^. @ P^s^. 4, 4 @ 3, 13 @ P. 2. 9½, 14 @ P. 2.

One Tandel @ P^s^. 3, Lascars 45 @ 2, 1 head Macqua @ p^s^. 1. 2, 11 D^o^. @ f. 16 ea.

In December 1714 after M^r^. Harrison & Council had redu[c^d^.] this head as low as they thought necessary the monthly Charge was Pagodas 203 : 4 & the Persons then receiving Pay were as follows—

One Gunner at Pag^ds^. 13, 1 Mate @ 8. 9½, 1 D^o^. @ 6, 6 @ P^s^. 5, 2 @ P^s^. 4, 1 @ P^s^. 3. 9½, 3 at P^s^. 2. 14, 17 @ P. 2. 9½, 1 D^o^. @ P. 2, 2 D^o^. @ P^s^. 1. 13, 1 @ 1. 9½. Tandel one at P. 3, Lasscars 31 @ P. 2, 1 head Macqua @ P. 1. 2, 11 D^o^. at f. 16 ea. The Amount of this head then was about 20 pagodas more than in the Year 1708 we propose therefore that it be now bro^t^. to the Same Number of men & pay as in the December Acc^t^. beforemention'd Striking out only 2 of the Persons @ 5 p^s^. ea. & 6 of the Lascars and we Can't think but the remainder will be Sufficient Since the Company have been pleas'd to Order the withdrawing So many Points, the difference Sav'd to the Compa. will be ⅌ month Pag^s^. 76 [1].

Disabled Men, of these there are 27 who receive monthly Pag^s^. 33 : 5 : 40, we find they stand at half pay & must leave it to Your Honour &c^ra^. whether they can be further reduced.

Wages & Allowances Amounting to ... ... Pag^s^.	111	1	27
Among these is James Formon Overseer of the Buildings Pag^s^. 5 which as he receives Pay as Gunner must be Struck off	5	—	—
Head Bricklayers 3 P^s^. 10 of which formerly there were but 2 P^s^. 3 : 9, Difference	6	9	—
Smiths 3 P. 8 we believe 2 Sufficient at P^s^. 1½ ea. is Pag^s^. 3 difference	5	—	—
Carpenters 3 pag^s^. 9 in former times there was 1 @ pag^s^. 2 which was thought Sufficient diff^ce^.	7	—	—
One Turner P^s^. 2, Cooley to D^o^. 1 f. 10 which we don't See there is any Occasion for	2	10	—
Barbers 3 pag^ds^. 3: 19 one we believe may Serve at p^s^. 1 : 9– Difference	2	10	—
Samuel Harris Clark P^s^. 1 he used to have but f. 6, Difference	—	12	—
So that if Your Honour &c^ra^. Shall think fitt to Order these reductions there will be sav'd ⅌' month	29	5	—

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We Observe an Overplus of 50 Seer of Oil for the Gaurds more than it was in December 1714 but whether there is any reason for that Encrease or no we Can't Say.

HOSPITAL ALLOWANCES we find nothing Extraordinary under this head but 2 Black Doctors who receives Pag^{ds}. 2 ℔' month which is but lately Crept in we think may very well be Struck off ... ... Pag^{s}. 2 — —

We find the Doctors Bill amo^{t}. to 5 : 16 without any Particulars which ought to be fully exprest.

PEONS Amount to Pagodas ... ... 184 : 10 —

At Present there are 250 the Particular employment of which Your Hon^{r}. &c^{ra}. have in a List Sent from Fort S^{t}. David of which we are of Opinion the following may be Struck off Viz^{t}.

To the Lieutenants	4
Cheif Dubash	1
Companys Merch^{ts}.	7
Tobacco Renters	1
Bound Renters	1
Horse Stables	1
5 at Tavenap^{m}. Guard of which we believe 2 Sufficient—Difference ...	3
Companys house & Garden 4 of which may be Spar'd at Least—Diff^{ce}....	1
	—19

there are also 81 mention'd in the aforesaid List to attend in & about the Fort, carry Letters to the Toppies &c^{ra}. of which we believe 60 are Sufficient, there remain 21 with the above 19 makes 40 that may be Struck off. The remain^{s}. 210 may if Your Honour &c^{ra}. think fit be entertain'd at the following pay which is pretty near agreable to what we find in former Accounts—

1 Cheif Peon	2	9	—
3 at Pag^{s}. 2	6	—	— which is as many as formerly used to be tho' Since crept up to 6.
14 @ P^{s}. 1	14	—	—
92 @ f. 12½	63	16	—
100 @ f. 10	55	10	—
The Whole ...	141	17	—
which deducted from ...	184	10	— the Present Charge.

There will be Saved to the Company on this head Pag^{s}. 42-11 ℔' men^{m}.

SERVANTS & CONICOPLYS Wages Amount to ... ... Pag^{s}.	123	7	—
In which we propose the following reductions			
Kettysall fellow is charg'd f. 27 which Used to be but f. 15 Difference not to be allow'd.	—	12	—
Maldars 4 P^{s}. 1 : 33 used to be P^{s}. 1 : 23 Difference.	—	10	—
Manjecopang Gardn^{rs}. P. 5 15 4 Cuddalore D^{o}. 33 is ... ... Pag^{s}. 15 7 —			
In 1712 we find the whole charge of Gardners ... 10 17 —			
Difference which may be well Sav'd	4	8	—
Cheif Dubash is Charg'd Pag^{s}. 8 : 6—formerly before the Warr was but 5, difference	3	6	—
Taylors 2 pag^{s}. 2 which is unnecessary	2	—	—
Black Doctors 3 P. 5 which used to be P^{s}. 4 Difference ...	1	—	—
Butler 1 Unnecessary	1	9	—
Comra Garden fellow D^{o}. having allow'd Suffic^{t}. before ...	—	14	—
Paymasters Conicoplys 4 P. 5 :18 formerly 4 P. 3 :10 diff^{ce}....	2	8	—
Stewards Conicoplys useless	—	14	—
Moratta Braminy 1 D^{o}. a new Charge	3	9	—
Vakeel of no Use	2	—	—
Saved on this head Pag^{s}. ...	23	—	—

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CHARGES GENERAL comes to ... ... Pag^{s}. 101 : 15 : 43

it is impossible to Judge what So many Carpenters & Smiths are Employ'd about that are Jumbled together under this head and said there to be for making & mending Sundrys wch. we think very Proper they Shou'd Explain more Particularly, we can't help observing that when M^{r}. Frederick was Deputy Governour there & was wrote to give a more Particular Account of those matters he Answers in his Letter of the 13th. December 1714 that they were for Little Odd Jobbs that had no heads as Rabbit Hutches, Coops for Fowles & a great many other triffles, it is not impossible but Some such things may be the reason of this charge at Present, if it Shou'd be so we are of opinion those things ought rather to be Sold than the Company Shou'd be at any Expence in mending them Since the Deputy Gover^{r}. & Companys Servants are at a Stated allowance of Diet mony. We must also remark on this head the following Charges which to us appear Useless—

Charcoal for Tea—	26	40	—
M^{r}. Mansells Batty for Measuring	14	—	—
Garden Cooleys	3	16	—

Having allow'd under Servants Wages Pagodas 10 : 17 which was as much as formelry Serv'd for the Use of the Garden this is therefore reckon'd Superfluous.

Buffaloe Charges a new Expence for which wee See no reason & believe it to be also for the Use of the Garden ...	—	92	40
Dammers 275 by M^{r}. Frederick & Councils Letter from thence in Decr. 1714 it is acknowledg'd they never were allow'd any, we believe they have had no Warrant from hence for introducing it, therefore it ought to be Struck off	5	9	—
Batty at home is a Pretty large Article in which is included Fowling Peons	—	40	—
Which we are of Opinion there is no occasion for, So that there may be Saved in this Article ... ... Pag^{s}.	19	—	—

Besides a great deal more that will come out of the Smiths, Bricklayers &c^{a}. as abovemention'd when they shall give us a Particular Account thereof.

We Observe also that the Oil mention'd to be for Sundry Uses in the Bounds and outgaurds is Encreased 200 Sr. Since Decr. 1714 for what reason we Can't say.

CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY Amounts to ... ... Pag^{s}. 38 3 74

being for Pag^{s}. 27 : 7 : 60 paid the Stewards Note for the Souldiers & Pag^{s}. 10 : 14 : 14 for Messrs. Higginson & Burtons charges going to Pondicherry the former of these Especially we think wants to be fuller Explain'd.

FORTIFICATIONS & REPAIRS ... ... Pag^{s}. 57 11 58

On this head we can only say they are not Particular Enough for Instance in the Square Teak timber Plank &c^{ra}. are charged to the Amount of Pagodas 19 : 8 : 9 [without] mentioning what was Done we must remark also that the Chinam is charged at the rate of 1½ Parra for Fort S^{t}. David Fanam which used to be at 3½.

CUDDALORE FACTORY for Bricks & Repairs	P^{s}. 13	2	2
Garrison Cost and Charges raising the S.E. Point in y^{e}. Fort	14	—	4
Fortifications in Cuddalore making Platforms for the Guns...	17	8	5
Fort Bridge for Carpenters, Smiths &c^{ra}. Working there ...	2	14	32
Household Necessarys 2 Lanthorns for y^{e}. Fort House ...	9	—	—
One these heads we find nothing necessary to be taken Notice of.			
CHARGES CATTLE Pag^{s}. 51 : 3 : 22 Exceeds what the Company have Order'd	P. 1	3	22
CHARGES DIFT P'ag^{s}. 240 According to the Stated Allowance.			

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Having thus gone through all the Heads in the Paymasters Acco[t]. for August we Shall now Sume Up what by the foregoing remarks we Compute may be Sav'd as follows—

Charges of the Military p[r] Month	Pag[s].	364	12	—
Gunroom Crew	D°.		76	1	—
Wages & Allowances	D°.		29	5	—
Hospitall Allowances	D°.		2	—	—
Peons Wages	D°.		42	11	—
Servants & Conicoplys	D°.		23	—	—
Charges General besides what may be taken out of the Smiths, Carpenters &c[ra]. as Observ'd before ...			19	—	—
Charges Cattle			1	3	32
In all Pag[s]. ...			557	14	22

Or Pagodas 6693 : 9 : 24 a Year.

This is all we found necessary to be remarkt on our Examining the Fort S[t]. David Paymasters account abovemention'd which we Submit to Your Hon[r]. &c[ras]. Consideration & are with great respect

Fort S[t]. George
Octo. y[e]. 2[d]. 1724.

Hoñble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Serv[ts].
James Hubbard.
Joseph Houghton.

The George Brigantine Jn°. Tye Master Sail'd for the West Coast. 4

Arrived the Janny Galley Captain John Withrington from Vizagapatam by whom receiv'd a General from the Chief & Council there. 5

At a Consultation

Present

Tuesday the 6th

Nathan[l]. Elwick Esq[r]. Gov[r]. Presid[t].
James Macrae. Rich[d]. Benyon.
John Emmerson. Randal Fowke.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Debate about Send[g]. money to Vizagapat[m].

The President acquaints the Board that he had Called them together to consult about sending money to Vizagapatam & Ingeram & a Letter from the former dated the 22[d]. of September was read as in the Letter Book N°. 153 Advising their want of Cash.

It appearing from their Accounts that they were in great want of Supplies to go on with their Investment & a Vessel now ready to Sale to the former of these ports

agreed not to Send any.

This matter was debated but Agreed in Consideration of the Weather being very bad, and the Season So far advanced that it was a Very great risque to send anything to Sea, not to send any but to write them that we will as Soon as it can be done with safety send them large Supplies.

Mr. Goddard his petition read & granted.

Petition of Holland Goddard read as enter'd after this Consultation & granted desiring leave to lay down the Companys Service and that he may be recommended home in the General Letter that in case his indisposition will permit him to return again he may have his Standing Continued to him.

Henry George his pet[n]. read.

Henry George having been upon the Gunner[s] role for a great while & upon the late reform dismiss'd desires to be Enter'd upon the Pensioners Role which is granted upon Account of his having receiv'd a Blow on the head in the Service of the Company by the fall of a Block which hath render'd him incapable of his getting his livelihood by any other means.

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Presidt. informs yᵉ. board yᵗ. he had Sent to feteh Anconah but yᵗ. yᵉ. people he sent had abus'd him & should be examin'd.

The President reports to the Board that hearing Ancona was at Sᵗ. Thomê & having receiv'd Several Complaints against him he had sent and brought him into the Bounds but that some of the Peons having abused him they were under Examination & so Soon as the Guilty Persons were found out they Shou'd be punish'd.

Orders to Muster the Sunderland's men.

ORDER'D that the Paymaster muster Ship Sunderlands men.

Fort Sᵗ. David goods dᵈ. back to yᵉ. Merchᵗˢ.

There being of the Cloth lately receiv'd from Fort Sᵗ. David thirteen Bales of Salempores Ordinary which were intollerably bad, AGREED that they be return'd to the Several merchants on Whose Contracts they were receiv'd and that we write to Fort Sᵗ. David advising of the same.

N. ELWICK.
JAˢ. MACRAE.
RICHᴰ. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

TO THE HONBLE NATHANˡ. ELWICK ESQᴿ.,
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT Sᵀ. GEORGE &Cᴿᴬ. COUNCIL.

HONBLE Sᴿ. & Sᴿˢ.

Whereas I have been frequently afflicted with an Inflamation in my Liver I humbly desire your Honour &cᵐ. wou'd permit me to retire to England for the recovery of the same and as it is with the greatest reluctance I leave the HONBLE. COMPANY'S SERVICE, I earnestly request your Honour &cᵐ. wou'd so effectually recommend me to the favour of the Honourable Court of Directors, that in case I shou'd recover my Indisposition and be inclin'd to come abroad again, I may preserve my Standing in their Service as if I had not gone home. I am

HONOURABLE Sᴿ. & Sᴿˢ.
Your most Obedient and most
faithfull Servant
HOLLAND GODDARD.

FORT Sᵀ. GEORGE
SEPTEM. THE 30ᵀᴴ. 1724.

7 Arrived the Jane Brigantine Samuel Brasier from Bengal.

8 Ship Jenny Galley belonging to Mᴿ. Symonds Sail'd for Vizagapatam.

Dispatcht a General Letter of Yesterdays date to the Deputy Governᴿ. and Council of Fort Sᵗ. David.

Receiv'd a General Letter from the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort Sᵗ. David.

10 Receiv'd a General Letter from Mᴿ. Holcombe at Metchlepatam.

11 Ship Jane belonging to Mᴿ. Symonds Thomas Adams Master Arriv'd from Vizagapatam, By whom receiv'd a General Letter from the Cheif and Council there.

12 Received a General Letter from the Cheif and Council of Tellicherry.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

NATH^L. ELWICK ESQ^R. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
JAMES MACRAE. RICHARD BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. RANDAL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

TUESDAY THE 13TH.

The Paymaster delivers in the Muster Role of Ship Sunderlands men consisting of Eighty five persons. Ship Sunderland muster roles of her men d^d. in.

Petition of Robert Tuston desiring his discharge from the Military read and granted he having Serv'd his Covenanted time. Tusten's petition read & granted.

One John Macclain who had formerly been an Ensign here but was broke for abusing his men & drinking the Pretenders health having been guilty of a good many disorders lately and Continuing incorrigible, AGREED that he be sent on board the Sunderland for Europe. Macclain orderd aboard a prisoner.

Bills of Exchange of this date Sign'd at 12 mo^ths. Sight on the Hon̄ble Court of Directors payable at 8 ₱ Pagoda Viz^t. Bills of Exch^a. Sign'd.

1st. 2^d. & 3^d. to David Jones or Order for ... ... Value of George Tullie.	Pag^s.	850	—	—	Or £ S̄t.	340	—	—
1, 2 & 3^d. To Thos. Gwillem or Order for ... ... Value of John Powney.	Pag^s.	1654	16	18	Or £ S̄t.	661	15	7¼
1, 2 & 3^d. To Francis Rous or Order for ... ... Value of himself.	Pag^s.	1700	—	—	Or £ S̄t.	680	—	—

General Letter to the Hon̄ble Court of Directors and a General to S^t. Helena by Ship Sunderland Sign'd as likewise the Captains dispatch. General Letter Sign'd to y^e. H : C : of Directors.

A Petition as Enter'd hereafter relating to the Coral Condemned the 3^d. instant read but rejected. petition about y^e. Coral rejected.

N. ELWICK.
JA^S. MACRAE.
RICH^D. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

TO THE HON^BLE. NATH^L. ELWICK ESQ^R.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^T. GEORGE &C^RA. COUNCIL.

THE PETIC̄ON OF OVEN JAND PEDRU

HUMBLY SHEWETH

That Your Petitioners Correspondent Aga Mal at Bussero Sent upon the Dean Frigate by Aga Pere D'Commal an Armenian Sundry Parcels which were put in a Chest out of which Said parcels three Small Bundles were for Your Petitioner, when the said Chest came on shore Age Pere D'Commal went and Apply'd himself to M^r. George Tullie to get them clear'd who Accordingly open'd the said chest in which were Contain'd five parcels two of which were for Account of one Arabee of Bengal and the other three for Your Petitioner which said five bundles were taken out of

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the said Chest by Mr. George Tullie who kept them and deliver'd the Chest about twenty two days after the Dean Frigate was on her departure for Bengal So that Your Petitioner went to Mr. Lauder one of the Searchers and Entreated him to deliver the two Bundles which were for Account of the said Arabee which after much importunity Setting forth the necessity there was of Sending the two Parcels to Bengal to the said Arabee as aforesaid Mr. Lauder open'd them & found one Bundle to contain Constantinople Bread and the other ten Small Looking Glasses which were deliver'd and sent to Bengal upon the Dean Frigate at which time the said Aga Pere D'Commal told Mr. Lauder that the other three parcels belong'd to Your said Petitioner who wou'd come himself & Clear them and pay the custom for them for that they were deliver'd him for Account of Your Petitioner By one Aga Mal of Bussero who never told him what was Contain'd in the two Bundles on which was affix'd Your Petitioners chop. Your Petitioner & the said Aga Pere D'Commal went several times after both to Mr. Tullie and Mr. Lauder to have the said Bundles open'd and inspected in order to have them clear'd who put them off from time to time Whereupon Your Petitioner made a further Application to Mr. Emmerson the Sea Customer and told him that he had receiv'd advice from his Correspondent in Bussero that the two small Parcels on which was fix'd Your said Petitioners chop was Corall and beg'd of him to clear it upon Your Petitioners discharging the Customs but without Effect, Wherefore as the said Coral had been detain'd upwards of two months when Your Petitioner cou'd have sold it to great advantage by reason of which he is become an Immense Sufferer Therefore Recommends his case to Your Honour &cras. Consideration & Humbly requests that as it can by no ways fairly be made appear that Your Petitioner or the said Aga Pere D'Commal Ever Offer'd or Intended to convey or run the said Coral That You will order it to be restor'd him.

And Your Petitioner Shall

Octo. 6th. 1724. Ever Pray &cra.

To the Honble. Natht. Elwick Esqr.
Governour & President of Fort St. George &cra. Council.

The Humble Petition of Robert Tuston

Sheweth

That your Petitioner according to his Contract with the Honble United East India Company for the term of five Years Servitude as a Soldier which time is Expired, he Humbly hopes yor. Honr. &cra. will take it into Consideration and Acquiesce that he may be discharged

And Your Petitioner as in Duty
bound shall Ever Pray &cra.

14 Ship Sunderland Captn. William Hutchinson sail'd for Great Brittain by whom sent a Pacquet to the Honble Court of Directors.

Arriv'd the Goodfellow Captn. Thos. Harry from Bengal But last from Vizagapatam by whom recd. a General Letter from both Places.

Ketch Anne Belonging to Mr. Stephen Newcombe imported from Vizagapatam.

16 Dispatcht General Letters of Yesterdays date Overland to Bombay, Tellicherry, Anjengo, Vizagapatam & Ingeram.

19 Recd. a General Letter by Tappies from Fort St. David.

Ketch Anne sail'd for Fort St. David.

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At a Consultation

Present

Nathl. Elwick Esqr. Governour Presid^{r}.
James Macrae. Rich^{d}. Benyon.
John Emmerson. Randal Fowke.
James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Monday the 19th.

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Mintmaster reads that Account for last month ballance due from him twenty eight pagodas eight fanams & twenty Cash which he now pays and Rupees nine thousand three hundred and nineteen & eleven annas which continue in the mint.

Mint acco^{t}. for Septr. read.

Poncala Kistna Tobacco & Beetle farmer pays into Cash five hundred eighty three Pagodas twelve fanams for one months rent of that Farm due the 5th. Inst^{t}.

Beetle rent p^{d}. in.

Henry Crawford Farmer of the Arrack and Wine License pays into Cash three hundred thirty five Pagodas for last months Rent of that farm due the 5th. Instant.

Arrack rent paid in.

Captain Thomas Ogden having no Company occasion'd by the Late Reductions and being sometime since called up from Fort S^{t}. David, he was sent for and order'd to get ready to go down thither again to take charge of the second Company of Souldiers there.

Captn. Ogden sent to Fort S^{t}. David.

M^{r}. Way being grown very infirm and Consequently incapable of attending the duty of his employ as weigher at the Sea gate Order'd that M^{r}. Stephen Newcome lately Arriv'd from Vizagapatam be appointed to the same And the Mayor who is one of this Board telling us that it wou'd be necessary to make a new Clerk of the Markett likewise Agreed that M^{r}. Newcome be recommended to the Court & permitted to accept of that employ if the Court shall chuse him. He was accordingly sent for and told the resolutions of the Board about him.

M^{r}. Newcome appointed Weigher at ye. Sea gate & Clerk of ye. market.

The Goodfellow which ship arriv'd lately with Bales & petre being now near unloaden and the Moonsoon approaching It was consider'd what wou'd be proper to do with her, To let her ride it out here was dangerous, the Captain was therefore called for and order'd to get his trusletrees repair'd which were broke in the Passage from Bengal so soon as possible that so he might be ready to get to Sea.

Debate wt^{t}. to do with the Goodfellow. the Captn. ord^{d}. to get her ready to put to Sea.

Sending her to Pegue, since the Gentlemen in the Bay have told us in their Letter by her from thence that they do not want any sloops, and We are in no want of Timber & Plank, wou'd be of no Service to our Honble Masters, especially as she was so lately Repair'd in Bengall.

Why she should not go to Pegue.

The George Brigantine being so lately gone to Fort Marlbró and the Coppers, Mills &c^{ra}. Materials for the Sugar and arrack Plantations not being finish'd The Goodfellow can as Yet be of no Service there and as the George will return in December We shall then be able to send the other thither more for our Honble Masters advantage than now and as there are a large number of Bales at Vizagapatam it was Agreed that she put out to sea & make to the Northward So as to be able to come in with the Land at Vizagapatam after the full moon in November by which means she will be able to bring up those Bales & be here time enough to go to the West Coast after the Arrival of the George.

Why she should not go to Fort Marlbró.

Agreed to send her to Vizagapatam.

As She is to go out to Sea and not come upon the Coast again till the Monsoon is over It was after some little time Spent in Debating upon the matter Agreed to send Seven thousand Rupees & two thousand Pagodas to Vizagapatam and two thousand pagodas to Ingeram.

Agreed to send money on her thither & to Ingerum.

General Letters read Viz^{t}.

Two from the Cheif & Council of Vizagapatam N°. 155 & 157, the former dated the 30th. Ult^{o}. receiv'd by the Jane advising what Cloth they have ready the Arrival of the Goodfellow with them and some little differences with their Nabob about their Present at his Coming to his Government & requesting supplies of money. The

2 General Letters read from Vizagapatam.

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other dated the 5th. Inst. is cover to invoice & Bill of lading for one hundred & twelve Bales of Callicoe on board the Goodfellow and advising their sending up a Refractory Soldier in Irons.

1 from Tellicherry.

N°. 156 From the Cheif & Council of Tellicherry dated the 10th. of the last month complaining of want of advices relating to the French proceedings & designs which however we have always given them when any thing new has happen'd.

1 from Fort William.

N°. 158 From the President and Council of Fort William dated the 31st. Augt. advising the receipt of the Tootenaigue, treasure &cra. Sent them on Ships Royal George, Elizabeth, Francis, Monmouth, Aislabie & Stretham, They likewise advise the Loss of the Ostend ship and of the French treatment to them, They tell us they do not want any Sloops from hence & promise to observe the Orders relating to the West Coast trade. They add that the Monmouth is to stay in the Country & that they shall send two Ships home from thence & two to us with a good Number of bales. They likewise inclose invoice & bill of Lading for one thousand Baggs of Salt Petre and the Account of the Goodfellows disbursements & a Packett for England.

General Letter from Mr. Holcombe.

N°. 159 from Mr. Holcombe inclosing his two last months accounts & desiring a Supply of Cash. The letter is dated the 1st. Instant.

Do. from Fort St. David.

N°. 154 From the Deputy Governour & Councill of Fort St. David & N°. 160 from the same, the former dated the 6th. and the other the 17th. of this Instant, In their first they continue their complaints about the Cloth brought in by the Merchts. and advise of having reduced the Charge of Servants in the Warehouse & Storehouse. They tell us the French entertain our disbanded Topazes and that they believe it will not be proper to discharge any more till the French Ships are sail'd for the Mallabar Coast. They advise the Murther of Ensign Key at Fort St. David and the Arrival of two French Europe Ships & inclose their Account Cash for last month. In the other Letter they acknowledge the receipt of a Copy of a Report about their Expences & promise to use their Utmost endeavours to reduce them, desire a Supply of Europeans, inclose the Depositions relating to the murther of Ensign Key and a Valuation of the Medicines belonging to Doctor Wyche lately deceas'd ; advice the Lading of the French Ships gone for Europe and the Sailing of two for the Malabar Coast And inclose the Accounts of the several duties paid at Ft. St. David, Portonovo & Pondicherry which they explain in the Letter.

papers inclosed in ye. preceeding letters how disposed.

The Invoices & bills of lading inclosed in the above letters were deliver'd the Warehousekeeper & the Accts. tô the Accomptant. The papers relating to the Sorting are enter'd in the Letter book receiv'd after the Letter and the Depositions about Ensign Key and the Account of the Customs are enter'd after this Consultation.

A Committee to examine ye. Ft. St. David acct. Customs.

Messrs. Emmerson, Hubbard & Houghton were appointed a Comittee to examine the said Account of the Customs & make such observations thereupon as they shou'd see reasonable and report the same to the Board.

The Gentlemen at Fort St. David giving us so small hopes of any Quantity of Cloth from thence and the President and Council of Fort William not having advised what Number of Bales they will send us It was Consider'd how we shou'd be prepard for the dispatch of the two Ships from the Bay and the Macclesfeild.

Company's Merchants called in about the investment & discoursed about it.

The Companys Merchants were called in and told that they must expect to be obliged to stand to their Contract and provide good Cloth for the dispatch of the Shipping or make good the Dammage, To which they replied that the Cloth was not all made by one hand nor cou'd be all alike, that there were troubles in the Country, that the Weavers told them they would not mend the Fabrick & that there was no way to Oblige them to it but to Let them[starve], They said further that there was a great deal of Cloth ready in their Godowns ; whereupon the Warehousekeeper inform'd the Board that indeed there was a good quantity in their godowns but that out of fifty bales scarce ten cou'd be taken in & most of that ten were N°. 2 directly contrary to the Terms of the Contract.

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After some further time Spent in talking with them & Considering what they Urged, the board finding they had nothing more to say for themselves, & what they had said, not giving Content : They were told by the President, that it was the ultimate resolution of the whole Board, That if they did not bring their Cloth in, good & in time, & y^t^. by their means any Ship shou'd lie on demorage they shou'd positively be Obliged to make good all damages, & forfeit the Penalty of the Contract. Resolves of the board thereupon.

The Sorters having often complain'd, of the Intollerable badness of some of the Cloth, which the Merchants must Certainly know cou'd not be taken in & yet took up a great deal of time to Overlook ; They were order'd to go to the Godown, & look over the Cloth before the Gentlemen came to Sort it, that so they might have the Less trouble in doing it. Merchts. orderd to Sort y^e^. Cloth themselves before it is brôt y^e^. Sorters.

N. ELWICK.
JA^s^. MACRAE.
RICH^D^. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

Being the Anniversary of the Coronation of his Majesty King George was Observ'd with firing of Guns, an Entertainment and Ball at the Companys Garden. 20

Receiv'd a General from Ingeram with the Letter design'd for the Ingeram Merchant who is put back. 21

Sail'd the Jane Belonging to M^r^. Symonds Captain Thos. Addam[s] Master for Vizagapatam. 23

Brigantine Jane belonging to Capt. Steddall Captain James Shannon Sail'd for the Mallabar Coast & Suratt by whom sent Duplicates of our Letters to Anjengo & Tellicherry. —

EXAMINATION OF JENS PITTERSON BEFORE THE DEPUTY GOVERNOUR & COUNCIL OF FORT S^T^. DAVID WHO WAS BROUGHT PRISONER FROM TREPOPILORE GAURD THE 3^D^. OCTOBER.

Jens Pitterson declares that the 2^d^. of October about five a Clock in the afternoon he came from Shooting at which time Ensign Edward Key ask'd him what Game he had gott to which he replied he saw nothing worth Shooting & so came home immediately afterwards. Jens Pitterson declares he went home to his house to eat, and when he had done Ensign Edward Key ask'd him the said Jens Pitterson to go to his room to drink a dram with him to which the said Pitterson reply'd that he was not us'd to drink, & cou'd not bear Liquor and therefore desired to be excused but after ma[ny] Persuasions the said Jens Pitterson declares he went to Ensign Edwd. Keys Room, and there drank with the Ensign 2 drams after which the said Jens Pitterson says he retired into his own Room and that Ensign Edward Key about half an hour after follow'd him to his own Room when the Ensign told him the said Jens Pitterson that he wanted a Companion to go with him to Bengal for that his pay was agoing to be reduced & he shou'd be obliged to ask for his discharge to which Jens Pitterson says he replied that he had no Occasion to leave the place while he was maintaind but that if he was discharged he must seek his livelyhood where he could upon which Ensign Edwd. Key shook the said Jens Pitterson by the hand, and said to him Comrade you must go along with me and then they fell to drinking in Pittersons Room to such an excess that the said Jens Pitterson declares he knows not what he did afterwards, only that some of the gaurds told him this morning that the Ensign had beat him, Dated in Fort S^t^. David this 3^d^. day of October 1724.

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Gulielmo D' Rozario Century from 12 to 2 a Clock over the Gate being examin'd before the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort S^{t}. David about the Murder of Ensign Edward Key deposes that about half an hour after one a Clock in the morning Jens Pitterson Gunner of Trepopilore Gaurd wak'd in Liquor and ask'd Ensign Key what he was a doing with his wench but was so much in liquor as to fall down when the Ensign & Wench took him up & putt him on the Pyall, sometime after Jens Pitterson gott into his room & took his Cutlace which the Ensign seeing retired into his own room & Shutt the Door upon which Jens Pitterson inraged call'd out for his wench, and fell a Cutting & Slashing the Barrs of the Ensigns window, but Jens Pitterson finding he cou'd not come to the Ensign with his Cutlace went to his room & brought a Gun whereupon the Deponent declares he threatned Jens Pitterson that if he did not retire from the Window he wou'd fire upon him without waiting for Orders, and that he the Deponent called out to the Serj^{ts}. & Corporalls who awak'd but were afraid to seize the said Jens Pitterson because he had a loaded Gun in his hand whereupon Ensign Edward Key came to the windows of his room & bidding Jens Pitterson be gone to sleep the said Jens Pitterson fired his Gun in at the Window and shott him which alarm'd the Gaurd but they dar'd not seize him because he had gott another loaded peice by him, therefore they waited till he fell asleep when they seiz'd and bound him.

I Padre Fray Theodozio De Conaycco of the Religion of S^{t}. Augustus Vicar of Cuddalore and Tevenepatam Certifies and swear by the word of a Preist that it is necessary and read in the Fort of S^{t}. David the foregoing paper word by word to the said Gulielmo D' Rozario who Swore by the holy Evangelist that every thing therein contain'd to be true, Sign'd at Fort S^{t}. David this 24th. Octo^{r}. 1724.

Fray Theodozio De Conaycao of the Religion of S^{t}. Augustus, Vicar of Cuddalore and Tevenapatam.

A Translate of Francisca de Rozario the Gunner Jens Petersons woman being examin'd before the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort S^{t}. David deposes that at 4 a Clock in the Afternoon the said Gunner Janes Peterson went abroad and came back again at about six he bid her to leave her young child with him and go and dress his Victuals in a house without the Gaurd which accordingly she did, after he had eaten she and her Child went to her house to eat afterwards she shutt up the House and comes to the Gunner who was laid down to sleep upon a Pyall by his gaurd she seeing that carried her child to her house and put the Child to sleep and came back again herself and laid down at the Gunners feet ; about half an hour after the Ensign of the said gaurd Edward Key comes to the Gunner and set down by him on the Pyal and told him that he had lost a fowl and could not tell who had got it, the Guuner answer'd he wonder'd that the Ensign shou'd be Surprised at that when the Officer belonging before to this gaurd used to loose great many fowls and what you have lost here is of no great value. Then the Ens : said that he Shou'd have now but nine Pagodas a month which wou'd not be enough for him to live upon and likewise he said that the Gunner wou'd be reduced in his wages, the Gunn^{r}. said that if 9 Pagodas is not sufficient for Your ffamily how cou'd he possibly Subsist with his woman and Children for 5 pagodas, then the Ensign ask'd the gun^{r}. to go with him to his room and drink a dram, the Gunner answer'd that he had been ashooting his head aked and that he cou'd not Drink. The Ens : again said that one small dram wou'd not hurt him, so about 7 a Clock they both went together in the Ens : room & stay'd there till 10 drinking all the while but what pass'd within she cou'd not tell, the Gunner about that time as he was coming to his own room said to the Ensign that he had been very kind to him, if he live he wou'd return it, the Ens : took him by the hand and led the Gunner to his Room, the Gunner thank'd him and so the Ensign return'd to his own Lodgings, the Gunner presently laid himself down on the Poyal when immediately the Ens : return'd to him and said that he cou'd not sleep and sate down by the Gunner and talk'd about going to Bengal and said that they must be true freinds & Comrade one to another, then the

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Ensign ask'd the Gunner for a dram who replied that he had none when Immediately the Ensign went to his own Room and brought with him ¾ flasks of Arrack, so they both set together a drinking, after some time she observing the Gunner to be very drunk ready to tumble down and the Ensign still Urging him to drink more, but the Gunner was so far gone that he laid himself down and seem to be asleep, that the Ens : took hold of the woman and feeling her thigh, the Woman desired him to let her alone and said that the Gunner was not so drunk but that he wou'd see him, the Ensign reply'd that the gunner was asleep and bid her be quiet and all the while feeling about her, the Gunner then Called for a Bunker and bid the woman give another to the Ensign which the Ensign refused but chose rather a beetle, she answer'd that she had ne're a beetle but went out presently and borrow'd one and gave it to the Ensign, the Gunner then bid her light the Bunker, Accordingly she went into the room, the Ens: follow'd her and throw'd her upon the Cott Supposing that the Gunner was very drunk, the woman said to him again that her master wou'd see him and be angry with her, just then the Gunner tumbled off of the Pyall and look't in at the door and call'd for her, then ask't her what she was doing within, she answer'd that she was doing nothing, the Gunner then beat her and said that he cou'd see what she was a doing, the Ensign then came out of the room and said that there had been no harme done and that he must not beat the Woman, the Gunner replied that he may go about his Business and that he knew what she had done and that he wou'd beat her, upon which she went away but kept Looking on them at a small distance and heard the Gun^{r}. say to the Ens : how that he was a fine Comrade and he wou'd have nothing more to say to him for the future for he had brought him the Arrack only to make him drunk that he migh lye with his woman and so bid him be gone, which the Ens : refusing the Gunner gave him two Blows when the Ensign retiring to his own room without doing any thing to him and shut the door after him, the woman then went and hid herself just by and sees the Gunner go to the Ens^{n}. Room, he finding the doors shut he call'd out for his woman and said give me my Woman or else open the door, the Ens : Answer'd that his woman was without and not with him, so the Gunner went immediately to his room and brought his Sword and cut at the Ensigns windows calling out still for his woman, the Ensign Answering that the woman was not within, then the Gunner went to his room again and left the sword there and brought his Gun and comes to the Ensigns window and Demanded the Woman again saying at the same time that if he wou'd open the Door and show him that the woman was not there that he wou'd be Contented. She the Woman then hearing the Century above Calling out to the People to be aware that the Gunner had a Gun in his hand when the Ensign came to his window and said that there was no Danger for the Gunner was his Comrade and that he was a good man. Presently the Gunner fired the Gun and the Ensign Staggerd, then she heard the People within cry out that the Ensign was shott, sometime after she saw the Gunner fast asleep when the people Secured him, tied him and Carried him to the gaurd.

I Padre Fray Theodozio De Conaycao of the Religion of S^{t}. Augustus Vicar of Cuddalore & Tevenapatam Certifies & Swear by the word of a Preist, that it is necessary & read in the Fort of S^{t}. David the foregoing paper word by word to the said Francisca De Rozario who swore by the holy Evangelist that every thing therein Contain'd to be true, Sign'd at Fort S^{t}. David this 24 October 1724.

Fray Theodozio De Conaycao of the Religion of S^{t}. Augustus, Vicar of Cuddalore & Tevanapatam.

Henry Richardson Serjeant at Trepopilore gaurd being Examined before the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}. David deposes that at nine a Clock at night he hoisted up the Draw bridge and went as Usual to Ensign Edward Key in Order to make his report who he found at the Gunner Jens Pittersons door setting with him and Laughing, about half an hour after he saw the Ensign go into his own room and the s^{d}. Serjeant Henry Richardson went to sleep, towards one a Clock in the morning he heard a noise, accordingly he got up and found Ensign Edward Key

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shutting the inner gate of the Square, a little while after he heard the Gunner Jens Pitterson without cutting at the Gate and Calling out in the Portugueze Language give me my Woman immediately, upon which the Serjeant ask'd the Ensign why the Gunner made so much noise, who answer'd that he was in Liquor and so he went into the Square and told the Serjeant that the Gunner had taken him by the hair of his head, but he had given him a good knock or two for his impudence, about the same time the said Serjeant Henry Richardson heard a Cutting and slashing at the Ensign Edwd. Keys window and saw sparks of fire by striking against the barrs, when he desired the Ens: to give him leave to open the door of the Square and take a Gaurd with him and confine the Gunner till he's Sober in Order to prevent his making any further disturbance, The Ens: answer'd let him alone & let him rave as long as he pleases, then he will lay down & Sleep, presently after the said Jens Pitterson cut again at the Ensign Edward Keys window and called him at the same time son of a Whore and Cuckold, the said Ens: answer'd Brother how do You [chaw] & spell those words and then he went into his own room and open'd the Lettice Window when Serjeant Hunter follow'd him and took the said Ens: Edwd. Key by his hand and desired him to come away from the window for he did not know what bloody minded people the Danes were, the Ens: put away Serj^{t}. Hunter with his hand and ask'd him whether he or himself was Commander, then the Centinell above called out in the Portuguese language that the Gunner was come with his Arms which words were hardly out of the Centurys mouth but the said Gun^{r}. Jens Pitterson fired his gun and kill'd the Ens: Edwd. Key. The Gunner had another Loaden Peice ready by him and a Hanger, Serjeant Henry Richardson also says that when he had seiz'd on the Gunner that he only call'd out in the Portuguese tongue for the Ensign.

John Hunter Serjeant of Treepopilore gaurd being examin'd before the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort S^{t}. David about the murder of Ensign Edward Key deposes that between twelve and one a Clock in the morning he saw Jens Pitterson with a Cutlace hacking and Cutting the Windows of Ensign Edwd. Keys room the Ensign being within at the same time, upon which the said John Hunter went into the s^{d}. Ensign Edwd. Keys room took hold of him by the Arm and desired him to walk into the next Room for that then the said Jens Pitterson wou'd see nobody & be quiet, the Ensign thereupon ask'd the said Serjeant Hunter who was Commander of the gaurd y^{e}. Serjeant or himself and then push'd the said Hunter from him, presently afterwards he the said Hunter declares that he heard a Gun go off, that at the same time he had hold of Ensign Edward Keys left hand, & that upon the Peice being fired Ensign Key immediately Clapt his right hand to his belly, that Ensign Key declared he had caught it, & struggled to gett to the Gate way but fell down & said Lord have mercy on my Poor Children and my Wife, Serjeant Hunter declares he knew nothing of Pitterson and the Ensigns drinking for he was asleep all the while.

I John Armitage Surgeons mate at Fort S^{t}. David do hereby declare that upon examining Ensign Keys wounds found the Duodenum and jejunum very much Shatterd and also the Pylorus there Were Several small Shott something higher which I believe might have penetrated the Diaphragma and right Lobe of the Lungs.

Fort S^{t}. David, Octo^{r}. 3^{d}. 1724. John Armitage.

To the Worship^{ll}. Nathl. Turner Esqr.
Deputy Govern^{r}. &c^{a}. Council of Fort S^{t}. David.

The Humble Petition of Chinyah
the Head of the Right Hand Cast

Sheweth

That before the Morattos ever took possession of this Place it was Commanded by Your Petitioners Grandfather and since his death your Petitioners father not being able to keep up a Sufficient force to defend this place againt the Morattos they took it from him and then made him the following allowances for his Subsistance & which Your Petitio^{r}. now receives, from the Right hand Cast.

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for Every Ox load of Paddy that is brought into the Bounds he receives ½ a measure.
for every Ox load of Gram ½ measure.
for weighing every Bundle pays 5 Cash.
for Oil Mills, every Mill pays 2 seers. a month.
for every bundle of Firewood one Stick.
for every baskett of Cowdung two dung.
for every fishing Shop a fish a day.

When the Company bought this Settlement of the Morattos Mr. Hatsell upon his first arrival here finding the above Account of Allowances was allow'd. Your Petitioners father by the Morattos he was pleas'd to Continue it, and made a further addition of 2 Pags. a month more which the Company has ever since allow'd for the Support of Your Petitioners family and as your Worship &cra. now design to reduce the Custom and the Expence of this place your Petitioner humbly begs that you will be pleas'd to Continue the Priviledges that he and his father has enjoy'd for above 35 Years past, having a very large family consisting of 40 Persons to maintain and if what we now enjoy shou'd be taken from us we must all starve.

YOUR PETITIONER shall as in Duty bound
EVER PRAY.

AN ACCOUNT OF CUSTOMS COLLECTED WITHIN THE BOUNDS OF FORT St. DAVID WITHOUT ANY LICENSE OR COWLE.

CUDDALORE Town Conicoply at the Choultry.

4 Cash ℔ Ox load of Paddy.
2 fa. 20 Cash for all other goods or Grain of 100 Chucram value.
1 fa. 40 Cash for all Bazar Cloth of Do. Value at the Banksall.
1 fa. 40 Ca. On all goods imported value of 100 Chucrams.
2 fa. 20 Ca. on all grain imported of Do. Value.
4½ Cokernutt or Jagry Ball ℔ 1000.
2 Beetle Nutt ℔ 20,000.
5 ℔ 1000 On all Fruits imported of Tobacco & Beetle Renters.
1¼ fa. ℔ Candy Country Tobacco.
1 fa. ℔ Candy Tobacco imported.
1 fa. ℔ 48,000 Beetle Leaves.

On Sundrys.

5 ℔ 1000 On all Fruits brot. from the Country.
1 Fish ℔ ea. Baskett of Fish.
½ Cash ℔ ea. Shop at Cuddalore every Wednesday.
3 Pags. ℔ annum ℔ 3 Setts Compa. Merchants.
10 Chucrams ℔ Ann. from Inhabitants by Contribution.
¼ Seer of Oil for each Oyl Mill.
1 fa. for every bill of sale for Houses or slaves.

MUTTO SHROFF Receiver of the Sea & Land Customs at Cuddalore.

At the Choultry.

¼ Measure ℔ Ox load of Paddy.
⅛ Do. ℔ 12 Mercalls Gram.
40 Cash ℔ 100 Chuckrams on all other goods

AT THE BANKSAL.

½ Cockernutt or Jagry Ball ℔ 1000.
40 Cash ℔ 100 Chuckrums on all other Goods.
1/8 Seer of Oyl ℔ ea. Oyl Mill.

MARKISTNAHS Pagoda at Cuddalore, Tevenapatam & Trepopilore choultrys.

2 Cash ℔ Ox load of Paddy.
½ Measure ℔ Ox load of Grain.
10 Cash ℔ Candy on Weighable Goods.

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1 fa. ℔ 100 Chuckrums on all other Goods.
5 Cash ℔ Ox load of Cotton.

At Cuddalore & Tevenapatam Banksall.

2 Cash ℔ Ox load of Paddy.
1 Cockernutt or Jagry ball ℔ 1000.
5 Cash ℔ 20000 Beetle Nutts.
30 Cash ℔ Ox load Goods going to the Country.
10 Cash for ea. Shroffs Shop.
1 fa. ℔ Bale Painting Cloth.

Architapah Chitty head of the Casts.

At Cuddalore & Tevenapatam Choultrys.

$\frac{1}{2}$ Measure ℔ Ox load of Paddy.
$\frac{1}{4}$ D°. ℔ 12 Mercalls Gram.
2 Cash ℔ Ox load of all other Goods.
2 Seer ℔ month ℔ each Oyl mill.
20 Cash ℔ ann. from ea. House of the Banyans.

At Trepopilore.

$\frac{1}{4}$ Measure ℔ 12 Mercalls Gram.
$\frac{1}{4}$ D°. ℔ Ox load of Paddy.
1 fa. ℔ bale painting Cloth.
1 Cash on all other goods of 1 Pag. value.
2 Seer Oyl ℔ month ℔ ea. Oyl Mill.

At Manjecopang & Washing Town.

$\frac{1}{2}$ Measure ℔ Ox load of Paddy.
$\frac{1}{4}$ D°. ℔ 12 mercals of Gram.
1 Cash on all other goods value 1 Pag.
1 fa. Adjusting Differences amongst the Parrears.
On Firewood, Grass, Straw, Fish &c^{ra}. brought into the Bounds 1 for ea. Bundel of Parcel.

Tondacarahs Looking after Cuddalore Choultry.

At Cuddalore.

$\frac{1}{4}$ Measure ℔ Ox load Paddy.
1/16 D°. ℔ 12 Mercalls Gram.
40 Cash ℔ 100 Chuckrums on all other Goods.

Rauze Modelys Choultry at Trepopilore.

2 Ca. ℔ Ox load Paddy in Cuddalore.
$\frac{1}{4}$ Measure ℔ d°. . . in Tevenapatam
$\frac{1}{4}$ Measure ℔ d°. . . in Trepopilore.

Soorrah Sastry Braminy at Cuddalore Choultry.

3/16 Measure ℔ Ox load of Paddy.
1/8 Measure ℔ 12 Mercalls Gram.
1 fa. ℔ 100 Chuckrum on all other goods.

At the Banksal.

1 fa. ℔ 100 Chuckrum on all Goods Imported or Exported.

Utandy Pantoolu Braminy At Cuddalore Choultry.

1/8 Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.
1/16 Measure ℔ 12 Mercalls Grain.
1 $\frac{1}{4}$ fa ℔ 100 Chuckrum on all other Goods.

At the Banksall.

10 Cash ℔ Candy on all goods.
5 D°. ℔ 20000 Beetle Nutt.
1 D°. on Paddy value 1 Pagoda.

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RANGAPAYA BRAMINYS SCHOOL AT CUDDALORE.

1/32 Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.
1/32 Dº. ℔ 12 Mercalls Gram.

RANGOO BAPAYA Braminy At Cuddalore.

3/32 Measure ℔ Oxload paddy.
1/32 Dº. ℔ 12 Mercalls Grain.

CONDAYA BRAMINY At Cuddalore.

1/16 Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.

VEASORAYER BRAMINY at Cuddalore Choultry.

1 Cash ℔ Oxload Paddy.
50 Dº. ℔ 100 chuckrum on all other goods and Gram.

AT BANKSALL.

50 Cash ℔ 100 chuckrum on all goods at Tavenapatam & Trepopilore.
2 Cash ℔ Oxload Paddy.
2 Dº. ℔ pagoda value of all other goods.

RAMYA dancing BRAMINY at Cuddalore Banksall.

2 Measure ℔ Garse Paddy.
1½ Cockernutt or Jag[ry ball] ℔ 1000.
2 fa. for each great Boat.
1 Dº. for each small Dº.
2 fa. for measuring Plank ℔ 100 Covᵗˢ.

VEASAPATER BRAMINY at Cuddalore.

3/32 Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.
1/32 Dº. ℔ 12 Marcalls Gram.
1 Cash ℔ Oxload Paddy at Tevenapatam.

CHEASSIAH BRAMINY at Cuddalore.

3/32 Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.
1/32 Dº. ℔ 12 Mercals Gram.

DARMASEVASARRIAR Braminy at Cuddalore.

¼ Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.
1/8 Dº. ℔ Oxload Gram.

AT TEVENAPATAM.

½ Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.

CHALLEPERIMAL BRAMINY at Cuddalore.

¼ measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.
1/8 Dº. ℔ 12 Mercalls Gram.

GANGATHERA PATTER Braminy At Cuddalore.

2 Cash ℔ Oxload Paddy.
1 Dº. ℔ Oxload Goods going into the Country.

AT TEVENAPATAM, TREPOPILORE, MANJECOPANG AND WASHING TOWN.

1/8 Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.

VERAPATCHY PANDARUM or Minister at Cuddalore.

1/8 Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.
1 Seer Oyl ℔ month Ea. Oyl mill.

AT TEVENAPATAM, TREPOPILORE, MANJECOPANG & WASHING TOWN.

¼ Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.
1 Seer Oyl ℔ month Each Oyl mill.

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SANGRASARY PANDARAM At Cuddalore Choultry.

1/8 Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.
1/16 D°. ℔ 12 Mercalls Gram.
50 Cash ℔ 100 chuckrum of all other goods.

AT BANKSAL.

50 Cash ℔ 100 chuckrum on all Goods.
1 Cash ℔ oxload of goods going into the Country.

PATCHACANDAYA PANDARAM at Cuddalore.

3/32 Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.

PALEA PANDARAM at Cuddalore.

¼ Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.
1/16 D°. ℔ 12 Mercalls Gram.
1¼ fa. ℔ 100 chuckrums on all other goods.
¼ Seer Oyl ℔ ea. Oyl mill.

At Tevenapatam.

½ Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.

At Trepopilore.

3/8 Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.

At Manjecopang & Washing town.

½ Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.
All other goods as at Cuddalore.

MANYCA PANDARAM at Cuddalore.

3/32 Measure ℔ oxload Paddy.
1/32 D°. ℔ 12 Mercalls Grain.

AMBLATADY PANDARAM At Cuddalore.

3/32 Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.
1/16 D°. ℔ 12 Mercalls Gram.
1¼ fa. ℔ 100 chuckrums on all other goods.
1/8 Seer Oyl ℔ each Oyl mill.

MOOTAH PANDARAM At Cuddalore.

3/32 Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.

At Tevenepatam ℔ Trepopilore.

¼ Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.
1 Seer Oyl ℔ month ℔ ea. Oyl Mill at all three Places.

VAITY PANDARAM at Cuddalore.

¼ Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.
1/8 Seer Oyl ℔ each mill.

CHADA PANDARAM at Tevenapatam.

1/8 Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.

At Trepopilore.

3/8 Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.

VELLE PANDARAM ANDUER at Cuddalore.

¼ Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.
1/8 D°. ℔ 12 Mercalls Gram.

RANGAPUTTE CHOULTRY at Cuddalore.

¼ Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.
1/8 D°. ℔ 12 Mercalls Gram.

APAGEY CHOULTRY at Cuddalore Banksall.

1 fa. for ea. Boat.
1 Ca. ℔ Bundle or parcel of all Goods exported.

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1 Cockernutt or Jagry ball ℔ 1000.
2 Ca. ℔ Oxload of all goods going into the Country.

At Cuddalore Choultry.

1 Ca. ℔ Oxload Paddy.

At Tevenapatam.

2 Ca. ℔ oxload Paddy.

At Trepopilore.

1 Ca. ℔ oxload Paddy.

Kistnamarauze Choultry at Cuddalore.

2 Cash ℔ oxload of Paddy.
2 Dº. ℔ oxload of goods going into the Country.

Cooly Vencatty puttys Choultry at Tevenapatam.

¼ Measure ℔ oxload of Paddy.

Surapanaiges Choultry at Trepopilore.

1 Ca. ℔ Shop every chandy day.
1/8 Seer Oyl ℔ each Oil mill.

Tagalagroovas At Cuddalore.

1/16 Measure ℔ oxload Paddy.

Chootucollam Darmarauze Pagoda At Cuddalore.

1/8 Measure ℔ oxload Paddy.
1/8 Seer of oyl ℔ each oyl mill.

Mallempattee Darmarauze Pagoda At Cuddalore.

1/8 Seer Oyl ℔ ea. Oyl Mill.

Cutteandy Pagoda At Cuddalore, Tevenapatam, Trepopilore, Manjecopang &c.

¼ Measure ℔ oxload Paddy.
1/8 Dº. ℔ 12 Mercalls Gram.
1/16 Dº. ℔ Baskett rice.
2 Ca. ℔ Pag. value of all other goods.
5 Ca. ℔ Oxload Cotton.
1 Ca. ℔ Shop Ea. Chandy day.

Sorcollapatte Darmarauze Pagoda At Tevenapatam & Trepopilore.

1/8 Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.

Tevenapatam Amachy Pagoda At Tevenapatam.

1/8 Measure ℔ oxload Paddy.

At Trepopilore.

¼ Measure ℔ oxload Paddy.

Tevenapatam Polear Pagoda At Tevenapatam.

⅛ Measure ℔ oxload Paddy.

Trepopilore Polear Pagoda At Trepopilore.

1/8 Measure ℔ oxload Paddy.

Washingtown Polear Pagoda At Washing town.

1/8 Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.

Oylmens Choultry At Cuddalore, Tavenapatam & Trepopilore.

¼ Measure ℔ oxload Paddy.
¼ Seer Oyl ℔ Each oyl mill.

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OYL MENS MINISTER At Cuddalore & Trepopilore.

½ Measure ℔ ox load Paddy.
¼ Seer Oyl ℔ Each Oyl mill.

OYLMENS BARBER At Cuddalore & Tevenapatam.

½ measure ℔ Ox load paddy.
½ Seer Oyl ℔ each Oyl mill.

At Trepopilore.

¼ Measure of ox load Paddy.
½ Seer Oyl ℔ each Oyl mill.

LEFT HAND CASTS BARBER at Cuddalore.

¼ Measure ℔ Ox load Paddy.

CUDDALORE SNAKE CATCHER at Cuddalore.

1/16 Measure ℔ Oxload Paddy.

TEVENAPATAM SNAKE CATCHER at Tevenapatam.

1/16 Measure ℔ Ox load paddy.

BLIND MEN At Cudalore.

1/16 Measure ℔ Ox load paddy.

CUDALORE WEIGHER At Cudalore.

40 Cash ℔ Candy on all Weighable Goods.
1 Ca. ℔ Shop every Chandy day.

CUDALORE TOTCHY At Cudalore Choultry.

⅜ Measure ℔ Ox load Paddy.

At the Banksall.

1 fa. ℔ Garse Paddy Imported.
500 Beetle Nutt ℔ ea. Boat load of Beetle Nutt.

TEVENAPATAM TOTCHY.

At Tevenapatam, Trepopilore, Manjecopang & Washing Town.
⅛ Measure ℔ Ox load Paddy.

BANKSALL RIVERSIDE PEON.

1 fa. ℔ ea. Boat.

BARR PEON.

1 fa. ℔ each Boat.

GATE PEONS.

On all Grass, Straw, firewood &c^{ra}.
1 out of ea. Bundle or Parcel.

METTO PEONS.

On all Grass, Straw, firewood &c^{ra}.
1 out of ea. Bundle or Parcell.

CHITTARAM Jentue Fokeer At Cudalore.

⅛ Measure ℔ ox load Paddy.
⅛ Cash ℔ Shop every Chandy day.

VENGAPAYA At Cudalore.

1 Ca. ℔ Ox load Paddy.
2 Ca. ℔ Ox load of goods going into the Country.

ALLEBOYS TOMB.

At Tevenapatam & Trepopilore.

⅛ Measure ℔ ox load Paddy.

MOORS MOSQUE At Cuddalore.

1/16 Measure ℔ ox load Paddy.

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Moors Fokeers At Cuddalore.

⅛ Measure ℔ ox load Paddy.

An Account of Customs Collected within the Bounds of Fort St. David that have been allow'd of by Cowle or otherwise.

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At Cudalore Banksall.
Goods Imported.
4 fa. 10 Ca. ℔ 100 chuckrums value of Gram & Paddy.
4 fa. 10 Ca. ℔ Dº. of Cloth, Nutts & all other Goods.
Goods Exported.
4 fa. 10 Cash ℔ 100 chuckrums val. of Cloth.
8¾ Cockernutt or Jagry Ball ℔ 1000.
⅜ Measure ℔ 1 Pag. value of Paddy.
1 fa. 50 Ca. ℔ 100 chuckrum value of all other goods.
At Cudalore Choultry.
1 Measure ℔ Ox load Paddy.
4 fa. 40 Ca. ℔ 100 Chuckrum value of Gram if broᵗ. in large Quantities.
½ Measure ℔ 12 Mercalls Gram if broᵗ. in small Quantitys.
2 fa. ℔ 100 chuckrum Value of Bazar Cloth.
2 fa. 40 Ca. ℔ 100 chuckrum Val. of all other goods.
100 Chuckrums ℔ ann. by Contribution of Inhabitants.
25 Pagodas ℔ ann. from Bound renters for goods passing the Chellumbrum way.
10 Pagodas ℔ ann. from the 3 Setts Companys Merchants.
10 Pagˢ. at Christmas feasts by Collection.
1 Ca. ea. Shop every Chandy day.
⅛ Seer oyl ℔ ea. oyl Mill.
1 fa. for each Boat.

At Tevenapatam.

⅝ Measure ℔ oxload Paddy.
2 Ca. ℔ 1 Pag. value of all other goods.
⅛ Seer oyl ℔ ea. oyl mill.
10 Pagodas ℔ ann. by Contribution from Inhabitants.
5 Pagodas at Christmas feasts.
21 fa. ℔ ann. from Companys head Washers.

At Trepopilore.

½ Measure ℔ oxload of Paddy broᵗ. in by the Country People.
2 Ca. ℔ Ox load Paddy broᵗ. in by the Inhabitants.
At Manjecopang & Washing town.
⅝ Measure ℔ ox load Paddy.
By Tobacco & Beetle Renters.
2 ℔ 20,000 Beetle Nutts broᵗ. from the Country.
1 fa. ℔ 48000 Beetle leaves.
1 fa. ℔ Candy of Tobacco Imported.
1¼ f. ℔ Candy of Country Tobacco.
10 ℔ 1000 of all Fruits.
On firewood, Grass, Straw, Fish &cᵃ. 1 ℔ Bundle or Baskett.
1 fa. for every Prisoner.
1 fa. for every Bill of sale for House or slave.
Some Grounds allow'd him by Bound renters.

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SIX PAGODAS in Cudalore.

Nam'd Chanda Shakara.
Esura.
Honamonta.
Tricombe Chitty.
Topa Chitty.
Polear.

AT Cudalore Choultry.

¾ Measure ℔ ox load Paddy.
⅝ D°. ℔ 12 Mercalls Gram.
6 fa. ℔ 100 Chuckrums value of all other goods.

AT Banksall.

6 fa. ℔ 100 churckrum value of Gram & Paddy.
4 fa. 64 Ca. ℔ D°. of all other goods.
⅛ Seer oyl ℔ ea. oyl Mill.
N.B. y°. 3 last Nam'd Pagodas are Lately Built & encroach'd on the others.

VERAPATRAS PAGODA.

At Cuddalore Banksall.

5 Ca. ℔ 20,000 Beetle Nutt.
1 Ca. ℔ ox load Paddy.
2 Jagry balls ℔ 1000.
1 Cockernutt ℔ 1000.
10 Cash ℔ Candy On all other goods.

AT CUDDALORE CHOULTRYS & TREPOPILORE.

¼ Measure ℔ ox load Paddy.
⅛ D°. ℔ 12 Mercalls Gram.
1 Ca. ℔ Pag. Value of all other Goods.
⅛ Seer Oyl ℔ ea. Oyl Mill.

AT TEVENAPATAM & MANJECOPANG.

⅝ Measure ℔ ox load Paddy.
⅛ D°. ℔ 12 Mercalls Gram.
⅛ Seer Oyl ℔ ea. Oyl Mill.

TREPOPILORE PAGODA.

At Cudalore Choultry.

¼ Measure ℔ oxload Paddy.
⅛ D°. ℔ 12 Mercalls Gram.
2 fa. 40 Ca. ℔ 100 Chuckrums Value of all other goods.

AT TEVENAPATAM.

⅜ Measure ℔ ox load Paddy.

AT TREPOPILORE.

½ Measure ℔ oxload Paddy.

AT Manjecopang & Washingtown.

½ Measure ℔ oxload Paddy.

TEVENAPATAM PAGODA.

At Tevenapatam.

½ Measure ℔ ox load Paddy.

At Manjecopang & Washing Town.

½ Measure ℔ ox load Paddy.

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A Calculate of all Customs paid on Goods bro^{t}. in by Land or Imported by Sea to Cudalore.

On Paddy bro^{t}. by Land

Land Custome ...	Pag^{s}.	1	2 —
Customers ffees ...		—	2 —
Corn meeters Duty ...		—	9 —
Talliar ...		—	10 —
Town Conicoply ...		—	5 —
Pagodas ...		—	7 —
Bound renters ...		2	— —
Atchittapah Chitty h^{d}. Cast ...		—	5 —
All the other Dutys ...		4	8 —
℔ C^{t}. Pag^{s}.		9	12 —

When Shipt off.

Sea Custome ...		3	— —
Customers fees & Certificate ...		—	6 —
Totall ℔ C^{t}. Pag^{s}.		13	— —

On all other Goods.

Land Custome	Pag^{s}.	4	12 30
Customers ffees		—	3 —
Corn meeters Duty ...		—	4 40
Talliar		—	4 40
Town Conicoply ...		—	2 56
Pagodas ...		—	8 44
Bound renters ...		2	— —
Certificate ...		—	3 —
All the Other Dutys ...		—	14 —
		8	16 50

When Shipt off.

Sea Custome .. P^{s}.		—	5 50
Customers ffees ...		—	3 —
Talliar ...		—	1 50
Certificate ...		—	3 —
		—	13 20
Totall ℔ C^{t}. Pag^{s}.		9	11 70

On Gram.

Land Custome ... P.		4	9 —
Customers ffees ...		—	2 40
Corn meeters Duty ...		—	9 —
Talliar ...		—	8 8
Town Conicoply ...		—	4 4
Pagodas ...		—	10 64
Atchittapah Chitty ...		—	10 —
Bound renters ...		2	— —
All the other Dutys ...		7	9 —
℔ C^{t}. Pag^{s}.		16	8 36

When Ship'd Off.

Sea Custome ...		—	9 —
Certificate & Customers ffees ...		—	6 —
Totall ℔ C^{t}. Pag^{s}.		17	5 36

On Cloth & Oyl Seeds

Land Custome ...Pag^{s}.		2	9 —
Customers ffees ...		—	3 —
Talliar ..		—	3 48
Town Conicoply		—	1 28
Bound Renters		2	— —
The Several other Duty's ...		—	5 —
		5	4 76

When Shipt Off.

Sea Custome ... P^{s}.	2	9	—
Customers ffees. —	3	—	
Certificate ... —	3	—	

Paddy & Gram Imported by sea.

Sea Custome ...Pag^{s}.	5	—	—
Customers ffees ...	—	3	—
Corn meeters Duty ...	—	9	—
Talliar ...	—	8	8
Town Conicoply ...	—	4	4
Pagodas ...	—	10	64
Bound renters ab^{t}. ...	2	—	—
Several other Dutys ...	—	5	50
Totall ℔ C^{t}. Pag^{s}.	9	4	46

On all other goods Imported by Sea.

Sea Custome ...Pag^{s}.	5	—	—
Customers ffees ...	—	3	—
Talliar ...	—	7	34
Town Conicoply ...	—	2	56
Pagodas ...	—	8	44
Bound renters ab^{t} ...	2	—	—
All the other Dutys ...	—	5	50
Totall ℔ C^{t}. Pag^{s}.	8	9	24

N.B.—All Measurable Goods pays $\frac{1}{2}$ ℔' Cent Cornmeeters Duty & all Weighable Goods $\frac{1}{4}$ ℔' C^{t}. besides the above Dutys.

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Talliar ...	—	7	34.			
Town Conicoply ...	—	2	56			
Pagodas ...	—	8	44			
All the other Dutys ...	—	5	50			
				4	3	24
Totall ⅌ Ct. Pags.				9	8	20

N.B.—All the Cloth sent Overland to Porto Novo & Pondicherry pays 5 ⅌ Ct. Land Custom & all the other Dutys as above.

PORT CHARGES & Anchorage on all Vessels.

Ships of T 500 & Upwards ... ... Pags.	9	—	—
400	7	—	—
300	5	—	—
200	3	—	—
Brigantines & Large Sloops	2	—	—
Small Sloops, Parrs & Large boats	1	—	—
Small Boats, Chilingoes & Mussuloes	—	9	—
Catamaran going Off	—	1	—
Talliar	—	1	—
Ramya Dancing Braminy	—	2	—
Apagey Choultry	—	1	—
River & Barr Peons	—	2	—
Head Macqua	—	1	—

A CALCULATE OF ALL CUSTOMS PAID ON GOODS BROT. IN BY LAND OR IMPORTED BY SEA TO TEVENAPATAM.

ON PADDY BROT. BY LAND.

Land Custome ... ... Pags.	1	2	—
Customers ffees	—	2	40
Account of Exchange ...	—	2	40
Talliar	—	8	—
Town Conicoply	—	5	—
Pagodas	—	5	—
Atchittapah Chitty ...	—	5	—
Bound renters abt. ...	2	—	—
All the Other Dutys ...	2	—	—
	6	12	—
When Shipt Off.			
Sea Custome ... 3 — —			
Certificate & Custome ffees. — 6 —			
	3	6	—
Totall ⅌ Ct. Pags.	10	—	—

ON CLOTH.

Land Custome ... ... Pags.	2	9	—
Customers ffees	—	3	—
Talliar	—	2	40
Town Conicoply	—	4	40
Pagodas	—	4	40
Atchittapah Chitty ..	—	—	72
Bound renters abt. ...	2	—	—
All the other Dutys ...	—	3	48
	5	10	—
When Shipt Off.			
Sea Custome ... 2 9 —			
Customers ffees ... ... — 3 —			
Talliar ... ... — 7 34			
Town Conicoply ... — 4 40			
Atchittapah Chitty ... — 1 64			
All the other Dutys ... ... — 5 50			
	3	13	28
Totall ⅌ Ct. Pags	9	5	28

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Gram & all other Goods

Land Custome	Pag^{s}.	4	9 —
Customers ffees		—	3 —
Talliar		—	2 40
Town Conicoply		—	4 40
Pagodas		—	4 40
Atchittapah Chitty ...		—	— 72
Bound Renters ab^{t}. ...		2	— —
All the other Dutys ...		—	4 68
		7	11 20

When Shipt Off.

Sea Custome ...	—	9	—
Certificate & Customers ffees ...	—	6	—
		—	15 —
Totall ℔ᶠ C^{t}.	Pag^{s}.	8	8 20

N.B.—All Cloth sent Overland to Porto Novo or Pondecherry pays 5 ℔ᶠ C^{t}. Land Custome & the other Dutys Except Painting Cloth from Trepopilore which pays but 2½ ℔ᶠ C^{t}. Land Custome.

All Goods Imported by Sea & the Port Charges the same as at Cudalore.

N.B.—Paddy Gram and Measurable Goods pay ½ ℔ᶠ C^{t}. Cornmeeters Duty and Weighable Goods ¼ ℔ᶠ C^{t}.

Customs paid at Pondicherry.

Land Custome.

On Paddy, Gram &^{re}. Grain & all other Goods on Value ... ... 4 ℔ᶠ C^{t}.

Pagoda Duty	¼
Talliar	¼
Town Conicoply	¼
Braminy Minister ...	⅛
Trewengelums choultry ...	⅛
Charitable Uses	¼
Is	5½ ℔ᶠ C^{t}.

On Cloth only 3 ℔ᶠ C^{t}. & all the other Dutys Excepting ¼ ℔ᶠ C^{t}. Charitable Uses.

Sea Custome.

All Goods bro^{t}. by land & Exported pays 1 ℔ᶠ C^{t}. over & above the Land Custome before paid.

Paddy, Gram &c^{re}. Grain & all other goods Imported pays on value	4½ ℔ᶠ C^{t}.
Pagoda Duty	¼
Talliar	¼
Town Conicoply	¼
Charitable Uses	¼
Is	5½ ℔ᶠ C^{t}.

Customs paid at Porto Novo.

On Paddy.

Land Custome ℔ᶠ C^{t}. ...	Pag^{s}.	2	9 —
Talliar		—	2 40
Town Conicopoly		—	2 40
2 Pagodas		—	6 20
The Moguls Accountant ...		—	1 —
Shroffs Braminy Pandarums Choultry &c^{ra}.		—	7 60
		3	11 —

When Shipt Off.

Sea Custom & the other Dutys		3	11 —
Totall ℔ᶠ C^{t}.	P^{s}.	7	4 —

On Gram.

Land Custome	Pag^{s}.	5	9 —
Talliar		—	3 40
Town Conicoply ...		—	3 24
Accountant		—	7 10
the other Dutys ...		3	12 36
		9	17 30

On Butter.

Land Custome	Pag^{s}.	7	11 40
Talliar		—	3 40
Town Conicopoly		—	3 24
Accountant		—	7 10
The other Dutys		—	— 46
		8	8 —

When Shipt Off.

Sea Custome &c^{ra}. ...		8	8 —
Totall ℔ᶠ C^{t}.	P^{s}.	16	16 —

On Indigo.

Land Custome	Pag^{s}.	7	14 20
Talliar		—	2 —
Town Conicoply ...		—	4 —
2 Pagodas		—	4 —
Accountant		—	5 —
Totall ℔ᶠ C^{t}.	P^{s}.	8	11 20

N.B.—This is Seldom or Never Shipt off but when blew Cloth is shipt off the Value of the Dye is Added to the Value of the Cloth & pays Sea Custom Accordingly.

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When Shipt Off.

Sea Custome & y°. other Dutys	9	17	30
Totall ℔ Ct. Ps.	19	16	60

On Oyl Seeds.

Land Custome ... ... Pags.	2	3	—
Talliar	—	3	40
Town Conicoply ...	—	3	24
Accountant	—	7	10
The Other Dutys ...	—	—	36
	2	17	30

When Shipt Off.

Sea Custome & the other Dutys	2	17	30
Totall ℔ Ct. Ps.	5	16	60

On Fine Goods.

Land Custome .. ... Ps.	7	5	20
Talliar	—	3	40
Town Conicoply ...	—	3	24
Accountant	—	7	10
the other Dutys ...	1	—	6
	9	1	20

When Shipt Off.

Sea Custome &c^ra. ...	9	1	20
	18	2	40

On Beetle Leaves.

Land Custome ... ... Ps.	5	10	—
Other Dutys	—	17	—
Totall ℔ Ct. Ps.	6	9	—

On Country Tobacco.

Land Custome ... ... Ps.	5	—	—
Other Dutys	—	15	—
Ps.	5	15	—

On all Sorts of Cloth.
No Land Custome but when Shipt off.

Sea Custome ... Ps.	2	4	—
Talliar ...	—	3	—
Town Conicoplys ...	—	2	50
Pagodas	—	1	20
the other Dutys ...	—	9	20
Totall ℔ Ct. Ps.	3	2	10

On Cotton & Thread.

Land Custome ... ... Pags.	5	—	—
Talliar	—	2	—
Town Conicoply ...	—	4	—
Accountant	—	5	—
2 Pagodas	—	4	—
	5	15	—

When Shipt off.

Sea Custome &c^ra. ...	5	15	—
Totall ℔ Ct. Ps.	11	12	—

On all other Coarse Goods.

Land Custome ... ... Pags.	—	9	20
Talliar	—	2	—
Town Conicoply ...	—	4	—
2 Pagodas	—	4	—
Accountant	—	7	10
	1	8	30

When Shipt Off.

Sea Custome &c^ra. ...	1	8	30
Totall ℔ Ct. Ps.	2	16	60

Benjamin.

Sea Custome ... ... Ps.	4	—	—
All the other Dutys ...	—	7	40
	4	7	40

When Sent into the Country

Land Custome &c^ra. ...	4	7	40
Totall ℔ Ct.	8	15	—

Brimstone Coyer & Tamerine.

Sea Custome ... ... Ps.	1	9	—
Several Dutys	—	7	40
	1	16	40

When sent into the Country.

Land Custome &c^ra. ...	1	16	40
Totall ℔ Ct. Ps.	3	15	—

Paddy, Gram, Rawsilk, Wax.
Rattans, Canes, Honey, Mustard Seeds, Hing, Tincale, Elephants teeth, Sticklack Dates &c^ra.—

Sea Custome ... Ps.	4	9	—
All the other Dutys.	—	16	70
	5	7	70

When sent into the Country

Land Custome &c^ra. ...	5	7	70
Totall ℔ Ct. Ps.	11	15	60

Copper, Tutenaigue, Bang.
Phisick Roots Tin &c^ra.

Sea Custome ... ... Ps.	3	—	—
All the other Dutys ...	—	7	40
	3	7	40

When sent in the Country.

Land Custome &c^ra. ...	3	7	40
	6	15	—

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On Goods Imported by Sea.

Sugar Candy, Sugar & Gonjoy.

Sea Custome	Ps. 1	9	—
All the other Dutys as above	—	7	40
	1	16	40
When Sent into the Country.			
Land Custome &c^ra. ...	1	16	40
Totall ℔ C^t.	Ps. 3	15	—

Quick Silver & Vermillion.

Sea Custome	Ps. 1	3	30
All the other Dutys ...	—	7	10
	1	10	40
When sent into the Country.			
Sea Custome &c^ra. ...	1	10	40
Totall ℔ C^t.	Ps. 3	3	—

All other Mallabar Coast China & Bengal Goods

Sea Custome	Ps. 10	—	—
All the other Dutys ...	1	6	—
	11	6	—
When sent into the Country.			
Land Custome &c^ra ...	11	6	—
Totall ℔ C^t.	Ps. 22	12	—

Elephants, Horses & Other Cattle.

Sea Custome	Ps. 4	—	—
All the other Dutys ...	—	9	—
	4	9	—
When sent in the Country.			
Land Custome &c^ra. ...	2	4	40
Totall ℔ C^t.	Ps. 6	13	40

Jaggry Balls, Cockernutts, Palmeras, Repers, Country Timbers, Tobacco & all other Jaffnapatam Goods

Sea Custome	Ps. 7	9	30
All the other Dutys	—	15	—
	8	6	30
When sent in the Country			
Land Custome &c^ra.	8	6	30
	16	12	60

Beetle Nutt from Columbo

Soa Custome	Ps. 5	—	—
All the Other Dutys	—	7	40
	5	7	40
When sent into the Country			
Land Custome &c^ra.	5	7	40
Totall Per C^r.	10	15	—

The Dutch Company pays only 2½ ℔ c^t. on all goods they Import & 2½ ℔ C^t. on all the Cloth &c^ra. they Export & no other Dutys.

All Goods Imported by the Dutch & sent into the Country are allow'd to pass free of any Land Custome.

All Goods provided for the Dutch Company pay no Land Custome.

The Danes pay half the Custome that the Inhabitants Pay.

Sunca Rama, Mahamed Laba } pays D°.

Sheramodallee, Momoninamorcorr, Umdreninamorcorr, Trewengodapilla } pays three Quarters D°.

All Goods provided in the Country By Choliars for Exportation pays no Land Custome.

All Painting Cloth bro^t. from Trepopilore pays no Land Custom.

All Cloth sent out of the Bounds by Land Pays but half Custome which is ab^t. 1½ ℔ C^t.

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At a Consultation

Present

Monday the 26th.

Nathanl. Elwick Esqr. Governour President.
James Macrae. Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson. Randall Fowke.
James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Metchlepatam accôts reported to be right.

The accomptant reports the Metchlepatam Accounts for August & September to be right.

500 pags. Sent Mr. Holcombe.

Mr. Holcombe being in want of Cash as by the said Accots. Orderd that five hundred Pagodas be paid Mr. Benyon on that Account.

Import Wareho. acct. read.

Richard Benyon Import Warehô Keeper reads that Account for last month ballance due from him two thousand and fifty three Pagodas seven fanams & sixty nine Cash of which he now pays in one thousand pagodas.

Export Wareho. accôt read.

Richard Benyon Export Wareho.keeper reads that Account for September ballance due to him one hundred twenty six pagodas thirteen fanams & twenty Cash wch. is carried to next month.

Money advd. ye. Wareho. Keeper for ye. painters.

The Warehousekeeper requesting one thousand pagodas to advance the Painters Order'd that it be paid him.

Sea Customers accts. read.

John Emmerson Sea Customer reads that Account for last month vizt.

Custom on goods exported & imported	Ps.	1370	24 72
Anchorage		81	18 —
	Ps.	1452	6 72

Ballance due from him Six thousand & fifty five pagodas Seventeen fanams & twenty nine Cash of which he pays in two thousand pagodas.

Paymasters accôt. read.

Randall Fowke Paymaster reads that Acct. for September Vizt.

Charges Garrison	Ps.	1501	20 60
Charges General		481	5 10
Hospital Charges		32	19 —
Repairs of Fortifications		16	12 60
Charges Extraordinary		17	20 50
Charges Cattle		66	24 —
House Moveables		12	— —
Marlbrô Fort		84	9 —
Bombay Presidency		40	— —
Charges Diet		583	12 —
	Ps.	2835	15 20

ballance due to him one thousand Seven hundred ninety one Pagodas twelve fanams and fifty Cash which is now paid.

Extraordinary Expence of ye. paymaster's account examined.

The Extraordinary Expence of this month arises from the following particulars—

Charges General						
A new Bamboo for the Seconds Palankeen the old one Being broke Covering &cra.					Ps.	17 23 40
Charges Extraordinary						
Diet for 11 Prisoners	Ps.	10	15	50		
Do. to 4 West Coast coffres		6	—	—		
Paid a Soldier at Christning his child ...		1	—	—		
Boat hire for Surveying Ship Sunderld. ...		—	5	—		
						17 20 50
House Moveables						
12 Chairs for Mr. Macraes Lodgings ...						12 — —
Fort Marlbrô						
Impress to Ten Souldiers for 3 moths. ...	P.	83	9	—		
paid Corporal Bradleys Wife		1	—	—		
						84 9 —

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Bombay Presidency					
Paid Mrs. Cowses children	...	...	15	—	—
Mrs. Burton & her children	...	...	25	—	—
			40	—	—
Pagods.			171	17	10

Ensign Boyd made a pensioner.

Ensign Boyd being very infirm & having Serv'd the Honble Company for many years thô now incapacitated it is Agreed that he be allow'd half pay & enter'd upon the Pensioners Role.

Captn. Harry's petition to stay ashore granted.

Petition of Captain Thomas Harry Master of ye. Goodfellow read as enter'd after this Consultation Setting forth that he has been very ill for a great while & desiring liberty to continue ashore for the recovery of his health which is granted & Agreed that till the Captain be able to take the Command of her again his Cheif Mate be appointed thereto.

Storekeepr. to examine ye. acct. Expences of the Goodfellow.

The Expence of that Ship while in Bengal amounting to a very large Sume, The Storekeeper was order'd to extract the Particulars & enquire of the Captain what was done to her & how and in what manner the said Expence Cou'd amount to so large a Sume & report the same to the Board.

General Letters from Ingerum read.

General Letters N°. 161 & 162 from Ingeram bearing Date the 24th. of Augt. & 30th. of September, the former being that design'd us by the Ingerum Merchant, The other giving an Account of her being forc'd back by a Storm that happen'd off Due point in which several Vessels were lost. He adds that so soon as he can with Safety dispatch her again he will do it if permitted & incloses his Acct. Cash & desires a Supply.

Land Customer's ballse. pd. in.

James Hubbard Land Customer pays into Cash three hundred Seventy five Pagodas thirty fanams & fifty two Cash ballance of his last months acct.

measuring farm for two months pd. in.

Nanda Lel & Gopaldauze pay into Cash One hundred thirty six pagodas twenty four fanams for two months rent of the measuring farm due the 20th. Inst.

Journal Parcels for August read.

N. Elwick.
Jas. Macrae.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

To the Honble Nathanl. Elwick Esqr.
President & Governr. &cra. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sr. & Srs.

Hearing Your Honour &cra. design to send Ship Goodfellow to Vizagapatam I find my Self obliged to request that I may be permitted to stay on shore being extreamly out of order with a fflux that has now lasted upon me near five months & reduced me to so weak a Condition that I am not able to Undergo the fatigue of a Voyage. It will be a great favour if Your Honour &cra. will permitt me to stay ashore at this time, & that You will believe nothing but the last extremity Shou'd oblige me to request it is the Earnest desire of

Honble Sr. & Srs.
Your most obedient Humble Servant,
Thos. Harry.

November 1st. 2

Sign'd the Goodfellows dispatches.

Saild Ship Goodfellow belonging to the Honble Company for Vizagapatam by whom sent General Letters of Yesterdays date to said place & Ingerum.

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At a Consultation

Present

Nathan[l]. Elwick Esq[r]. Govern[r]. President.
James Macrae. Richard Benyon.
John Emmerson. Kandal Fowke.
James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Monday the 2[d].

October Cash accôt. read.

The President reads the Account of the Houble Companys Cash for last month ballance remaining twenty eight thousand one hundred & twenty Pagodas eighteen fanams & sixty one Cash.

Journal parcels for Sept[r]. read.

Journal parcels for September read.

Particulars of y[e]. Charge of Rebuilding y[e]. ammunit[n]. godowns d[d]. in.

The Paymaster delivers to the Board the Account Particulars of the Charge of Building the Godowns by the half moon Battery amounting to four hundred & eight[y] pagodas & forty five Cash which is order'd to be Enter'd after this Consultation.

Roles of y[e]. military &c[rs]. deld. in &

He likewise produced the roles of the Military Gunroom Crew &c[rs]. & desired the orders of the Board for Paying them Which being overlook'd & some few alterations made were Approv'd.

order'd to be paid & he adv[d]. money on y[e]. acc[t].

Order'd that Fifteen hundred Pagodas be advanc'd him on that Account.

Major Roach's request taken into Consideration.

The Request of Major John Roach as enter'd after Consultation of the 22[d]. September was again taken into Consideration wherein he sets forth that he was entertain'd by the Company on the same terms as when he was Major of this Garrison before, but that they had in their Letter by the latter Ships in some measure Contradicted that order, However that he hoped we wou'd allow him two Servants he having been permitted by the Company to bring them out of England with him.

his pay allow'd at 20 pags. ℔ month.

The Paymaster Acco[ts]. when Major Roach was here before being then Examin'd, It was found his pay was twenty Pagodas ℔ mens : which it is Agreed to allow him and that his Arrears be paid he having as yet receiv'd no more than eighteen.

two Servants allowd him.

Likewise It appearing to us necessary that the Major Shou'd Support the Grandeur of a Feild Officer & that being impossible to be done without Servants & Attendance It was Agreed that he be allow'd two Servants & that this matter be in our next General transmitted home to the Company.

Mr. Higginson's petition for leave to come up read & granted.

Petition of Richards Higginson desiring leave to come up for ten or fourteen days to settle accounts with his ffamily who are design'd for Europe read, granted & order'd to be enter'd after this Consultation.

All y[e]. Cloth order'd to be chopped, y[t]. is turn'd out.

Finding that the Merchants notwithstanding the Severe threats which they have receiv'd both in the Sorting Godown & at the Council Board will not Yet mend their hand & there being some reason to believe that our Locking up the Cloth without chopping has made them Imagine we will take it in, at last it is Agreed that henceforward all that is turn'd out Shall be chopp'd.

New Sorters appointed.

Order'd that Mess[rs]. Lauder, Morse, Newcombe be added to the Number of Sorters.

Committees report about y[e]. Ft. St. David Cust[ms].

Mess[rs]. Emmerson, Hubbard & Houghton deliver in their report of the Customs at Fort S[t]. David which read and Enter'd after this Consultation and having debated thereupon for some time it was Unanimously Agreed that the Customs on all Goods Shou'd be reduced to 2½ ℔ Cent when imported by Land & 2½ when reshipp'd except such goods as pass'd thrô the bounds which shou'd pay 5 ℔ C[t]. Land Custom & that what goods were imported by sea shou'd pay 5 ℔ C[t]. on Importation. But for the incouragement of the dying manufacture which having been for many years carried to Porto Novo by reason of the many indulgencies granted there more then

Resolves thereupon.

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at Fort S^{t}. David had drawn away the Major part of the Inhabitants from thence, It was agreed that no Sea Custom shou'd be paid on the Exportation of said blue Cloth or Paintings made at Trepopilore.

It appearing by the Fort S^{t}. David report of the Customs that Several persons collected duties by Cowle which had not been taken off there but referr'd up to us & some proposals being made in the report deliver'd in here for taking them off, AGREED that in our next letter We Send for copies of said Cowles and that this matter be deferr'd till then.

AGREED to Write to Fort S^{t}. David this Afternoon and to dispatch peons to Ingerum & Vizagapatam with Duplicates of our Letters by the Goodfellow and Likewise to advise M^{r}. Holcombe at Metchlepatam of our having paid M^{r}. Benyon five hundred pagodas on his Account.

N. ELWICK.
JA^{s}. MACRAE.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

EXTRACT OF THE MONTHLY CHARGES BUILDING THE AMUNITION STOREHOUSES BY THE SALUTING BATIERY.

February	P^{s}.	37 13	20
March		24 34	—
April		41 —	40
May		234 2	35
June		22 32	15
July		24 4	10
August		95 22	5
	P^{s}.	480 —	45

ACC^{T}. PARTICULARS IN THE FOREGOING MONTH ACCOUNTS VIZ^{T}.

Teak Timbers	10			55	—	—
Iron	6 ℔			12	—	—
Charcoal & Sea Coal				7	33	—
Stook locks	3			2	3	—
						77 — —
Smiths	61	2	11 —			
Hammer men	40	1	4 —			
Bellows boys	46	—	23 —			
Husk		—	11 40			
				4	13	40
Carpenters	187	7	2 60			
Carpenters Coolys	17	—	12 60			
Sawers Sawing 33 Threads foot br^{d}. ft^{s}. Le. ea. 1 24		3	16 60			
				10	32	20
Bricklayers	911	32	23 20			
Coolys	635	13	8 20			
Boys	3148	43	26 —			
Clay & sand 104 Boats		17	12 —			
				106	33	40

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Stone chinam 1777½ parra at 14 parra for Pa. fa. 1 —	126	34	50				
Shell chinam 245½ a[t] fa. 2 for 1 Parra	13	23	—				
				140	21	50	
Parra Bricks Pa. Wall Bricks 155730 at 1700 for 1 ...	91	21	65				
Tarras Bricks 2720 at 2500 for 1 ...	1	3	10				
				92	24	75	
cs. m. lb. P. Jaggery 4 7 15¾ at 5 ℔ C[a].				22	1	10	
Palmeras 390 used for the false Arches	31	31	40				
which sold afterwards at outcry for	19	35	—				
The Difference				11	32	40	
Godown rent under the Town Hall for y[e]. chinam & Utensils for 1 mo.				4	—	—	
Country wood used for the Arches & beating chinam ...				3	13	—	
Hemp 12 Vi s				—	12	—	
Gram 30 Measures				—	17	—	
carcoy Seeds 17 Viss				—	30	60	
Firewood				—	13	—	
Oil				—	6	50	
Pots				1	31	—	
twine				—	7	40	
Coconutt Leaves				—	2	—	
Ropes & Coconutt shells				—	5	40	
Cooly Carrying Palmeras, Countrywood & Chinam ...				1	26	60	
						403	— 45
					Pagodas	480	— 45

To the Hon[ble]. Nathan[l]. Elwick Esq[r].
President & Governour of Fort S[t]. George &c[ra]. Council.

The Humble Petition of Richards Higginson

Sheweth

That your Petitioner having Sundry Accounts & affairs to Settle with his Family that requires his immediate presence in Madrass

He Humbly Begs As this is the most Leisure time in the Warehouse and the Worshipfull the Deputy Governour promising to take care that no Business there shall be neglected during his absence that Your Hon[r]. &c[rs]. will grant him Leave to Come up to Madrass for ten or fourteen Days.

And Your Petitioner as in Duty bound shall
Ever Pray.

To the Hon[ble]. Nath[l]. Elwick Esq[r].
President & Govern[r]. of Fort S[t]. George &c[ra]. Councill.

Hon[ble]. S[r]. &c[ra].

Persuant to an order of Consultation the 19th. Ultimo we have examin'd the Letters & Accounts from Fort S[t]. David relating to the Customs & now offer Your Hon[r]. &c[rs]. our remarks thereon, We observe that at Cuddalore & Tevenapatam Paddy and Gram pays from 9 to 17 ℔ Cent duty & all other goods above 9 ℔ Cent, of which the Talliars, Pagodas, Bound renters &c[rs]. make near two thirds but as the

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Dep^{ty}. Governour & Council have taken off the Pagoda Duty & several others which have unwarrantably crept in without being taken Notice of the State of their Customs as now Collected Stand thus—

At Cuddalore Viz^{r}.

On Paddy bro^{t}. by Land.			
Land Custome ℔ Cent	P.	1	2 —
Customers ffees		—	2 —
Cornmeeters duty		—	9 —
Tallyar		—	10 —
Town Conicoply		—	5 —
Bound renters		2	— —
Atchittapah Chitty		—	5 —
	P^{s}.	4	15 —
When Shipt Off.			
Sea Custome		3	— —
Fees and Certificate		—	6 —
	Pag^{s}.	8	3 —
On Gram.			
Land Custome	P^{s}.	4	9 —
Customers ffees		—	2 40
Cornmeeters duty		—	9 —
Talliar		—	8 8
Town Conicoply		—	4 4
Atchittapah Chitty		—	10 —
Bound renters		2	— —
		8	6 52
When Shipt Off.			
Sea Custome		—	9 —
Fees & Certificate		—	6 —
	P^{s}.	9	3 52
On Cloth & Oyl Seeds.			
Land Custome	P^{s}.	2	9 —
Customers Fees		—	3 —
Talliar		—	3 48
Town Conicoply		—	1 28
Bound renters		2	— —
	P^{s}.	4	16 76
When Shipt Off.			
Sea Custome		2	9 —
Fees & Certificate		—	6 —
Talliar		—	7 34
Town Conicoply		—	2 56
	P^{s}.	8	6 6
On all Other goods.			
Land Custome	P^{s}.	4	12 30
Customers ffees & Certificates		—	6 —
Cornmeeters duty		—	4 40
Town Conicoply		—	2 56
Bound renters		2	— —
	P^{s}.	7	12 6
When Shipt Off.			
Sea Custome	P^{s}.	—	5 50
Fees and Certificate		—	6 —
Talliar		—	1 50
	P^{s}.	8	7 26

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ON PADDY & GRAM IMPORTED BY SEA.

Sea Custome ...	Ps.	5	— —
Customers ffees		—	3 —
Cornmeeters duty		—	9 —
Talliar		—	8 8
Town Conicoply		—	4 4
Bound renters about		2	— —
	Ps.	8	6 12

ON ALL OTHER GOODS IMPORTED BY SEA.

Sea Custome ...	Ps.	5	— —
Customers ffees ...		—	3 —
Tallyars		—	7 [34]
Town Conicoply		—	2 [56]
Bound renters ...		2	— —
	Ps.	7	13 [10]

besides the above dutys all Measurable Goods pays ½ ℔ Cent & all weighable ¼ ℔ Ct. cornmeeters duty.

CUSTOMS PAID AT TEVENAPATAM VIZ^{a}.

ON PADDY BRO^{t}. BY LAND.

Land Custome ...		1	2 —
Customers ffees		—	2 4
Acc^{t}. of Exchange		—	2 4
Tallyar ...		—	8 —
Town Conicoply		—	5 —
Atchittapah Chitty		—	5 —
Bound renters ab^{t}.		2	— —
	Ps.	4	7 0
When Shipt Off.			
Sea Custome ...		3	— —
Fees & Certificate		—	6 —
	Ps.	7	13 —

GRAM & ALL OTHER GOODS.

Land Custome ...	Ps.	4	9 —
Customers ffees ...		—	3 —
Talliar ...		—	2 [40]
Town Conicoply		—	4 [40]
Atchittapah Chitty		—	— [72]
Bound renters ab^{t}.		2	— —
	Ps.	7	1 72
When Shipt Off.			
Sea Custome ...		—	9 —
Fees & Certificate		—	6 —
	Ps.	7	16 [72]

ON CLOTH.

Land Custome ...	Ps.	2	9 —
Customers ffees		—	3 —
Talliar ...		—	2 40
Town Conicoply		—	4 40
Atchittapah Chitty		—	— 72
Bound renters ab^{t}.		2	— —
		5	1 72

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When Shipt Off.

Sea Custome	2	9	—
Customers ffees	—	3	—
Tallyar	—	7	34
Town Conicoply	—	4	40
Atchittapah Chitty	—	1	64
Pa^{s}.	8	9	[50]

besides the above dutys All Measurable Goods pays ½ ℔ Cent & all weighable ¼ ℔ Cent Cornmeeters duty.

By the above Accouut your Hon^{r}. &c^{ra}. will perceive that the Bound renters receive near 2 ℔ Cent Juncan on all goods Imported either by Sea or Land & by this Liberty we are apt to beleive they exact a duty from every one that brings bratty, Fire wood & any Trifleing thing into the Place which if struck out of their Cowle wou'd add much to the Ease of the Poor Inhabitants (Excepting on Goods that Pass thrô the Bounds to goe to Ponticherry, Porto Novo &c^{ra}. adjacent Places) and although the Honble Company may be Sufferers at Present in that revenue, yet in few Years believe will be gainers thereby &^{c} further propose to Your Honour &c^{ra}. judging it for the Compa^{s}. Interest That the Priviledges granted in the Several Cowles as bound Renters, Tobacco Farmers & Arrack Farmers be wrote in the Country Languages & put up at all the Choultrys, Gates & outguards in Fort S^{t}. David that both Strangers & Inhabitants may be Apprised what Libertys they are allow'd which when known may be an encouragement for People to goe there & reside. As for the Cornmeeters duty we have perus'd the Fort S^{t}. David General Books & find that Income for the last Year to come under Sixty Pagodas & as our Honble Masters in the 47 Paragraph of their general Letter ℔ Heathcote hint as if t'was prejudicial & ought to be better regulated its our Opinion 'twould be for their Interest to allow of no such duty.

The Town Conicoply at Cudalore does now receive ¼ ℔ Cent on all Goods Imported by Sea which was an Accustomary Duty his Ancestors rec^{d}. before the Purchase of Fort S^{t}. David and what this Present Conicoply hath enjoy'd ever since but as its thought a Detriment by continuing this liberty & a hardship to take intirely his livelihood from him we believe if he's allow'd 2 pagodas ℔ month Wages to be paid monthly by the Sea Customer of Cuddalore & the small Contributions allow'd of that he always once a Year rec^{d}. from the Inhabitants & Merchants & 1 fa. for every bill of sale, he'll be able to Subsist but this with a Proviso he takes care of the Town Registers & Acts at the Sea Custom House &c^{ra}. Places for the Honble Companys Interest in the same manner as before when the above Priviledges were allow'd him.

Likewise one Chinniah whose father was assisting in Purchasing Fort S^{t}. David for which and other Services was allow'd to take ½ ℔ Cent on Gram, ¼ ℔ Cent on Paddy & a small duty on Cloth &c^{ra}. this we propose to strike of, This Person we observ'd was enter'd in the List of Peons at 2 pag^{s}. ℔ month & has been so for many Years (his Father when living had 5 Pagodas ℔ month allow'd besides the above Priviledges) the Deputy Govr. & Council recommends this Person but disaproves of his takeing Custome & proposes rather an Addition to his pay, we are of Opinion if he has ½ a pag. more ℔ Month allow'd 'twill be Sufficient & if he's Enter'd in the Paymasters Account under the Head of Charges Extraordinary with the reasons therein given once or Twice a Year 'twill be properer than in the List of Peons & more Satisfactory to our Honble Masters, as for all Cloth sent Overland to Porto Novo or Ponticherry that pays 5 ℔ Cent Land Custome & Paintings 2½ from Trepopilore we think may be Continued supposing it no prejudice to the Company as also Customers Fees & Talliars Duty. The Port Charges at Cuddalore & Tevenapatam are the same & which we believe are no ways burthensome excepting the four last Articles which comes to 6 fanams we think ought to be Struck out.

We observe in the Fort S^{t}. David General Letter dated the Sixth Instant the Deputy Governour had reduc'd the Expences of Servants Wages in the Warehouse & Storehouse & by examing the Last Years Generall Books can't but take notice of

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the large expence of Wages to Conicoplys & Servants paid monthly by the Sea & Land Customers sometimes 2/3 of the Customs rec^{d}. we cant help believing that half at least of the sums now sett down for Charges may very well be sav'd.

Upon the whole since the Dutys are so different on the Sundry Sorts of goods at Porto Novo that we can't regulate the Customs of Fort S^{t}. David in the manner the Honble Company direct without bringing greater hardships on the inhabitants which is contrary to what they design'd, we propose as follows. That all Goods brought in by Land pay 2½ ℔ Cent to the Honble Company, Customers ffees & Talliars duty as at present & all Goods by Sea 5 ℔ Cent and the above ffees & all goods sent Overland as abovesaid, but for the Encouragement of the Blew Cloth Manufactory & painting & with a view to draw the Inhabitants from Porto Novo we propose that no Sea Custom be paid thereon (excepting it shou'd be carried to Pondicherry or Porto Novo).

We are
HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. &C^{A}.
Your most humble Serv^{ts}.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
NOVEMBER Y^{E}. 2^{D}. 1724.

3 Dispatch'd a General Letter of Yesterdays date to the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort S^{t}. David & one of this date to Metchlepatam as likewise duplicates of our Letters to Vizagapatam & Ingerum by Ship Goodfellow.

5 Receiv'd a General letter from the President & Council of Bombay.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATURDAY THE 7TH.

NATHAN^{L}. ELWICK ESQ^{R}. GOVERN^{R}. PRESIDENT.
JAMES MACRAE. RICHARD BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. RANDAL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

Land Customers accot. for Octr. read.

James Hubbard Land Customer reads his Account for last month Viz^{t}.

Choultry Customs	Ps. 273	29	14
Ruby Brokeridge	52	20	20
Registring Slaves	—	24	—
	Ps. 327	1	34

ballance due from him three hundred & six pagodas thirty five fanams and thirty four Cash.

Paymaster pays 26.27 produce of 2 horses Sold.

RANDAL FOWKE Paymaster pays into Cash twenty six pagodas & twenty seven fanams produce of the two old Horses Sold by Order of Consultation of the 5th. September last.

General Letter from Bombay read.

Generall Letter from Bombay dated the 18th. September last read in answer to ours of the 9th. June and advising the proceedings of the Europe Ships on the Malabar Coast.

N. ELWICK.
JA^{S}. MACRAE.
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GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

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Mr. George Tullie died about 8 a Clock this Evening of a Violent feaver. 7TH.

Receiv'd a General Letter from Fort St. David. —

At a Consultation

Present

NATHANL. ELWICK ESQR. GOVERNR. PRESIDENT.
JAMES MACRAE. RICHARD BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. RANDAL FOWKE
JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

MONDAY THE 9TH.

General Letter from Fort St. David read.

General Letter Nº. 163 from the Deputy Governr. and Council of Fort St. David read bearing date the 5th. November wherein they advise the reduction of their Military to three hundred men, the discharging and altering the pay of several Persons in the Gunroom and the dismission of their Peons so as to bring them to two hundred and tenn, they mention some other Particulars relating to the reductions and promise when their Paymasters accompt for Novr. is past to answer the report of our Comittee. They likewise inclose an account of the sorting, measuring & packing their Cloth as enter'd in the Letter Book and a Petition fro n the Town Conicoply of Cudalore which is read as enter'd after this Consultation and the Consideration of it deferr'd till we receive the Copies of the Cowles in Force at Ft. St. David.

arrack rent paid in.

Henry Crawford Farmer of the Arrack and Wine License pays into Cash three hundred and thirty five Pagodas for last months rent of that Farm due the 5th. instant.

½ prodce. of ye. Coral Seized paid in.

John Emmerson Sea Customer pays into Cash one hundred thirty seven Pagodas sixteen fanams & seventy Cash being half of the Coral lately seiz'd at the Seagate and sold as by the Account deliver'd in by him & Enter'd after this Consultatn.

Mr. Carter to be head Searcher.

Mr. Newcome to have ye. next perquisit place and to be recommended to ye. Compy. to have his Station fixed.

The Death of Mr. George Tullie having Occasion'd a Vacancy at the Sea gate Mr. Carter was appointed to supply it but Mr. Newcome who arrived lately from Vizagapatam being likewise proposed it was Urged that the Company had not fix'd his Station thô they had Mr. Carters according to the time he had serv'd. WHEREFORE it was AGREED that in Consideration of Mr. Newcomes having been five Years on this Coast two of which he was at Vizagapatam and having all along behav'd himself with industry and Sobriety He be provided for the next time that any Beneficial Employ be vacant and that he be recommended home in the next General to the Company to fix his Station accordingly.

N. ELWICK.
JAS. MACRAE.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

TO THE WORSHIPFULL NATHL. TURNER ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVERNR. &CRA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF CHINNOPAH TOWN CONICOPLY

SHEWETH

That Your Petitioners father was town Conicoply of this place in Seer Cawns time, he dying your Petitioner enter'd into that employment in the Morattas time, & as a reward for the good Services he did the Honble. Company when they purchas'd the Bounds Mr. Hatsell was pleas'd to continue it to Your Petitioner who has enjoy'd it ever since.

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When Mr. Frederick was here it was represented to the Governour and Council of Fort St. George that the Conicoplys Dutys at Cudalore amounted to 300 Pagodas ℔ annum & withall proposed to take it into the Companys hands but nevertheless Governour Harrison and the Gentlemen there thought fitt to continue it to Your Petitioner & accordingly wrote in his favour to the Deputy Governour and Council of this place. Your Petitioner further begs leave to assure Your Worship &cra. that his income does not exceed 80 or 90 Pagodas ℔ annum wch. is but a bare Subsistance for him and his ffamily wherefore he humbly begs that as he has been in that employment upwards of 60 Years he may still continue it by which means he shall have wherewithall to keep his ffamily from Starving, for which favour he as in Duty bound shall ever Pray.

ACCOUNT SALES at Outcry of a parcel of Coral Seiz'd at the Sea gate for being clandestinely imported by the owners Vizt.

	Sr.	oz.	Ps.			
Mr. Tullie—Mezanias	13 :	5 at $7\frac{1}{4}$	℔ Sr.	Ps.	96	21 —
Do. Grosesas	14 :	$1\frac{1}{2}$ at $12\frac{5}{8}$	... ...		178	30 60
					275	15 60
Deducted paid the Cryer					—	18 —
					274	33 60

ERRORS EXCEPTED

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NOVEMBER THE 9TH. 1724.

℔ JOHN EMMERSON
Sea Customer.

14 Receiv'd a General Letter from the Deputy Governr. & Council at Fort St. David.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 16TH.

NATHANL. ELWICK ESQR. GOVERNR. PRESIDENT.
JAMES MACRAE. RICHARD BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. RANDAL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

Odd things in ye. Seagate godowns.

The Sea Customer reports that there are several things lying in the Sea Gate godowns which are claim'd by no body about which he desires the orders of the Board.

ord. to be Sold.

AGREED that he affix a note at the Sea gate that if they are not clear'd in twenty days they shall be sold.

Reports about the Contracts dd. in by the Wareh. Keeper.

Mr. Benyon Warehousekeeper delivers in a report, relating to the contracts which is read & order'd to be enter'd after this Consultation after which debating upon the contents Thereof It was

Resolved that ye. Wareh. Keeper charges ye. Merchts. for all ye. Cloth yt. is washed.

RESOLV'D that the Warehousekeeper shall charge the Merchants for washing all the Cloth that is wash'd whether it be taken in for the Company or not It appearing to us the best way to ease the Washers debt and to oblige the Merchants to bring in good Cloth because as the Washers are now indebted to them they pay nothing for curing the cloth but deduct it from said Debt but when they find they must pay for it in Account with the Company they will endeavour to cure none but what shall be taken off of their hands which they now begin to be sensible none will be but what is good.

Customs to be charged ye. merchts. on all Cloth they import but ye. method of doing it to be further consider'd.

RESOLV'D further that the Companys Merchants shall pay Customs for all cloth imported by them from this time but that Messrs. Benyon, Emmerson & Hubbard do examine this affair and report how it may be best done.

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A Debate then arising about the Possibility of Providing cloth for the ships design'd home in January and the Dilatoriness of our Merchants giving us no great reason to expect any large Supplys here Mr. Higginson Warehousekeeper at Fort St. David who came up from thence some days since was sent for and ask'd in what forwardness they were down there to which he replied That the Companys Merchants did not seem anyways inclin'd to comply with their contract and that he cou'd see very little reason to hope for much assistance from them but that in October last some persons had made proposals to him to provide as far as five hundred Bales against the Departure of the ships which he believ'd might be done answerable to muster and within the prices in the Contract but that there must be a Sortment of fine goods with the Coarse and N°. 2 as well as N°. 1—That this was in October but that great part of the time being Elaps'd He did not know how far they cou'd stand to their words, being ask'd whether it wou'd be safe to trust the Companys money with the Persons he spoke off He replied they pass'd there for responsable men but that He believ'd they wou'd bring the Cloth into the Bounds before any money was advanced to them, WHEREUPON it was agreed to write to Fort St. David to order them to proceed in the above manner. Mr. Higginson further added that he believ'd there were a great many petty Merchants who wou'd be glad to provide two or three bales if they thought it wou'd be taken off their hands. AGREED therefore that we in our letter write the Deputy Govr. and Council to buy all the Cloth that shall answer Muster, Let it be provided by whom it wou'd.

A proposal of buying cloth wherever it can be got made by Mr. Higginson.

The Several arguments for & against it.

Resolution about it.

THE Last will and Testament of Mr. George Tullie lately deceas'd prov'd Witness'd by Richard English, Samuel Fowler and Thomas Gray who all deposed upon Oath That they saw the Testator Sign and Seal the said Will which he declar'd to be such That he was to the best of their knowledge in his senses and that they sign'd as Witnesses thereto in presence of each other and of the Testator—The said will is enter'd after this Consultation & a probat thereof given the Executors Messrs. John Emmerson, William Leak and John Lauder who have accepted of the Administrations.

Mr. Tullie's will proved.

ANCONAH who was lately brot. hither from St. Thomé and wounded by the Peons who were sent to fetch him being now pretty well he was sent for and his Petition read as enter'd hereafter wherein he charges one Annapah who was the Officers that Commanded the Peons sent to fetch him with having abused him, Kick'd beat and wounded him in the side and that in Conjunction with two others He tore his Jewels out of his Ears, wounded his Mother in Law, cutt off one of his servants hands and gave him ye. sd. Anconah a wound in his head with several other particulars in the Petition mention'd.

Anconah's affair—the peons examin'd.

The said Anconah being called in with two other Peons one a Moor the other a Jentue who had confess'd these faults and in consequence thereof were clapp'd in Irons, the said Annepah was charged with the same but denied them. The Moors prisoner affirm'd all that Anconah charged Annapah with & so did the other, WHEREUPON the President declared that upon an Examination before him The Moors Peon had confess'd that Annapah show'd Anconah to him telling him that was the man whereupon He the said Moors Peon grasp'd Anconah in his arms and in bringing him out of the House he fell over a Cott in the way and believ'd he hurt Anconah with a Knife he had in his hand, And that the other confess'd He had cutt the woman on the head and wounded the other man in the wrist tho' now they both charge Annapah with the same And as a further proof that the Moorman had wounded Anconah The Weapons of the two were produced the one a Jemildar the other a crook'd Knife and the Doctor being sent for declair'd that the knife to the best of his Judgement was the weapon which injur'd the said Anconah. However Annapah having been the Commander of the Peons and not having prevented the mischeif and Anconah having some Witnesses at St. Thomé AGREED that the said Annapah be confin'd with the other two Peons and that this matter be further examin'd into to morrow.

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Tobacco & Beetle rent for Octr. paid in.

Poncala Kistna pays into Cash five hundred Eighty three Pagodas twelve fanams for one months rent of the Beetle & Tobacco farm due the 5th. instant.

N. Elwick.
Ja^{s}. Macrae.
Rich^{d}. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.

To the Honble. Nathl. Elwick Esqr.
President & Govern^{r}. &c^{ra}. Council of Fort S^{t}. George.

Your Honour &c^{ra}. doubtless remember after the dispatch of the Walpole & the other ships that season I represented to You that of the great number of Bales of which their loadings consisted how few were of the first sort and that of the exceeding N°. 2 I had observ'd a great Quantity of Cloth fflung to it so much worse than N°. 1 as bore no reasonable proportion to the difference of the price between N°. 1 & N°. 2 It did no where appear upon Examination that the Merchants had ever been stinted to any proportion in the two Sorts or for what reason the Company at first consented to take any Cloth that was inferiour to N°. 1 which N°. only being Engaged for by Contract it was Conjectured that N°. 2 was taken in as a favour to the Merchants in the ordinary Long Cloth & Sallempores because that in such a Quantity as is yearly contracted for they might be obliged tho' they were never so strict upon the Weavers to take in some peices that were not altogether so good as the Muster which upon a Reasonable Abatement the Company wou'd take in rather than fling it upon their hands, this was believ'd to be the Original Cause that the Muster N°. 2 was introduced in the Warehouse and that at first the Merchants took such good care of the Cloth that few bales were for many Years sent home of that sort. But that Indulgence has proved to be an original Sin the Effects of which have so visibly grown upon us in a few Years that the Consequence is likely to prove very fatal. This matter was often debated at the board before we Engaged in the last contract. No method was thought would prove more Effectual than to stintt the Merchants to a Certain proportion, to put an Entire Stop to it at once was thought altogether impracticable as the Evil had grown too much upon us. It was believ'd if we oblige 'em to agree to a Limitation of Half, it wou'd be as much if not more than they wou'd be able to comply with. The Merchants were called in and told our resolutions, they saw we were determind to Insist upon their Performance & promis'd they wou'd Comply. The contract was therefore drawn out & sign'd wth. a new and Express Condition that half the Cloth at least shou'd be N°. 1. It was then debated whether what remain'd of the old contracts shou'd be subject to the Conditions of the new, but as it was thought impracticable for the Merchants to comply in that Matter great part of the Cloth which was to compleat it being in the Washers hands and the rest in their Godowns the motion was dropt as impossible to be perform'd & therefore it ended with an Admonition to the Sorters to be very Exact in taking none that was inferiour to the Muster N°. 2. It had before been observ'd that Muster particularly of the Woriapoliam cloth was not so good as it shou'd be Considering the Difference between that & N°. 1 was little more than 3¾ ℔ Cent and a Debate arose upon it whether we shou'd make any alteration but it was look'd upon at that Time as a very Tender thing & that an attempt of that nature wou'd be of no Effect, The French being at that time Engaging in large Contracts and it was with great difficulty we prevail'd here with our Merchants to enter into a Contract for so large a Number of Bales as we believ'd we shou'd have occasion for to load the expected ships. These were the Steps taken before their arrival and all we cou'd possibly do in a Business we were very Sensible was of the greatest importance to our Masters of any that we had under our direction. The

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Frances arrived here the 15th. June & the Company in their letter by her havg. Severely told us their resentment for the Cloth they had receiv'd from us, the Sorters have since been so very Strict wth. the Merchants that I believe there will be no Complaints of any that have been made up since. Indeed the number has been very few and it is plain the Merchants were not at all provided for it by the great quantity of Cloth that has been turn'd out You have had them so often before you and heard their reasons why they have offer'd us such bad Cloth, their pretended Hardships & difficultys they lie under in the Country that I need not report 'em here and I must leave it with you what Weight is to be put upon the Arguments they have us'd, they have long amus'd us with solemn Promises that we shoud soon see an Amendment but the time grows so late now without any that by our trusting to them It is altogether Impossible we can dispatch home all the ships we Expect in January & tho' I believe since they have been threatned with making good the Penalty in their contract they have given such directions in the Country as will bring us in better cloth next Year Yet I think they will own now we cannot expect any Considerable Amendment before then. It is certainly fresh in Your Memorys that One Argument us'd by the Merchants for bringing in such bad cloth and on which they always laid great Stress was the great demand which they pretended was made by the French & Dutch Merchants for the same Sort of cloth as we do & that they (our Merchants) were obliged to take it as the Weavers wou'd give it them or they wou'd otherwise dispose of it to the French and Dutch. Not having yet received the Dutch Musters we Cannot Judge of them but French Musters being now in our hands it is observable that tho' their Cloth in General is vastly Dearer in proportion to the Goodness than ours yet they contract for none that is so coarse a Sort as our Ordinary Long Cloth & Salempores which are the main Articles in our contract & which are cheiffly complain'd of. Your Honr. &cra. being Persuaded this is a true state of the case will possibly think of proceeding to Mulcting our Merchants at least the penalty in their contract before which however it may not be improper to present You with a State of their Accounts which I now deliver You a part and Add here the Abstracts

Ballance due on ye. Books		Cloth embaled; at the Beaters, Washers; & in the Merchants Godown.					
From Gongeram & Tomby Chitty	13620 17 30	Cloth value ...	29652	—	—
From Suncaramah & Ball Chitty	41932 24 32	Cloth value ...	48946	35	40
From Suncaramah & Tomby Chitty ...	52523 13 46	Cloth value ...	14224	--	—
Pags.	108076 19 28	Pags.	[92822	35	40]

You will observe that of the sume advanced Sunca Ramah & Tomby Chitty there remains thirty Eight thousand Pagodas for which they have not as yet brought in any Cloth, the whole sume of Pagodas 52523 : 13 : 46 is the Entire amount of Twenty chests of Silver deliverd them the 4th. August and was agreed shou'd be advanced them on the running Contract thô they had not Cloth in the Bounds for the Value because they gave more for it than the price and their Circumstances were so well known that the board did not think there was any Risque of the Money.

It now lyes upon me to acquaint Your Honr. &cra. of another Prejudice attending the Company by the Merchants bringing in such bad Cloth. I am monthly obliged to deliver the Washers in Money & Rice Sufficient for their Support and as the Cloth is Sorted & Embaled they have creditt for curing so much & no more but now that such a Vast Quantity is turn'd out the Amount of that which is taken for the Company is so far short of what is advced. them that if some Stop be not put to it their debt will encrease as high as ever. As this is a Consequence proceeding entirely from the ill Usage of our Merchants you will please to Determine whether it be not reasonable to charge them in the Books for the curing the Turn'd out Cloth and pass it to the Washers creditt, the method at present does only make the Cloth come out so much cheaper to the Merchants as the Charge of curing it is discounted from a Vast debt due to them from the Washers which they wou'd not otherwise be ever able to recover.

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Your Honour &c^{ra}. will be so good to bear with me a little Longer since I am enter'd so far upon the Business of the Warehouse till I say a word or two in answer to the Close of the 25 Per [...] of the Companys Letter ℔ the Francis, speaking of the Badness of the Cloth they are pleas'd to say That by the Committees Observation it does not appear the Madrass Warehousek^{r}. did at all Inspect the said Sortments tho' it was his Duty in Particular, if he did it is yet worse, he deserves our Solemn censure. This is by so much the more Severe as it is Impossible for any Warehousek^{r}. to prevent the Consequence of Infidelity in any one of the Sorters except he shou'd happen to hitt upon it by Accident. The Number of Sorters at Present are thirteen. Ea. Sorter is obliged to have his Eye upon four parcells of Cloth, that is the Parcel he Sorts from the N°. 1 & N°. 2 and what he turns out, it requires his particular care that these parcels are not mix'd with one another or the Parcels Sorted by others which are very near and to prevent any Mistake he orders his cloth to be pack't so soon as he has sorted a Sufficient Number of peices to Compleat a Bale & without they were so strict there wou'd Unavoidably be many Mixtures that were never design'd. The Sorters are all appointed by the Board and I think if you were not Persuaded of their Judgement & Integrity you wou'd not permitt them to Act & indeed as I always Imagined not only from their being appointed by the Board but also from their signing the Bale Notes that each Person was Accountable for his own Perform^{ce}. I never thought it lay upon me to Overlook them & have therefore at the same time Sorted Several Bales myself for the greater disposal of Business, but otherwise if our Present method be Consider'd that when the whole Number of Sorters are there (which they often are) fifty two Parcels of Cloth are Spread at one and the same time & that which is sorted is so immediately Embaled, I say if all this be Considerd It is Impossible for any one man to be Certain what Cloth is put up. I need not to trouble Your Honour &c^{ra}. so long upon this matter because you are already Acquainted with it but I thought it necessary for my Vindication in England & as Your Honour &c^{ra}. can vouch for the truth of it I doubt not it will Effectually Justifie me there as much as I am clear'd in Your opinions here. I am

Honble. S^{r}. & S^{rs}.

Fort S^{t}. George — Your most Humble & Obedient Servant

16°. November 1724. — Richard Benyon.

In the Name of God Amen I George Tullie of Fort S^{t}. George in the East Indies Merchant reflecting on the many Cas[ual]tys incident to humane nature being now in good health, & in sound mind & memory thanks be to God for the Same & inclined to settle & dispose of such Temporal Estate as it hath pleas'd God to bless me withall do make this my last Will & Testament in manner & form following.

First of all I recommend my Soul into the hands of my Almighty Maker & redeemer hoping through the meritts of my blessed God & Saviour Jesus Christ to have Everlasting Salvation. My Body I desire may be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter Nam'd Attended by the Gentlemen of the Place and the Boys and Girls of the Charity School.

I will that all my Funeral Charges, Lawfull Debts and the Legacys or bequests I have hereunto mention'd be fully discharged & Satisfied.

Item I give & bequeath unto M^{rs}. Elizabeth Empson if alive at the time of my Decease the sum of One hundred Pagodas & what ffurniture I left in her great room & Closet when I liv'd at the Garden with her.

Item I give and bequeath unto M^{rs}. Harrison that lives at M^{rs}. Empsons if alive at the time of my Decease Fifty Pagodas.

Item I give and bequeath unto Captain Timothy Tullie now Command^{r}. of ship Hanover if alive at the Proving of this my will the sume of one thousand Pagodas & likewise the sume of Fifty Pagodas for mourning.

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Item I give and bequeath the sume of one hundred Pagodas to the Charity School of this place.

Item I give and bequeath to Mr. Mathew Empson, Mr. Julius Gollup, Mr. Richard Carter, Mr. Richard Bourchier, Mr. Nathaniel Rouse, Mr. Rawson Hart, Captain Heron Hart, Mr. Samuel Court & his wife Mrs. Jane Court, Each the sume of twenty Pagodas for Mourning.

Item I give & bequeath unto Mrs. Hannah Greenhaugh the sume of Two hundred Pagodas for Mourning.

Item I give and bequath unto Mrs. Mary Boddam the sume of Fifty Pagodas for Mourning if upon the Place at the time of my Decease.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Godson Thomas Powney if alive at the time of my decease the Sum of one hundred Pagodas.

Item I give & bequeath unto Mr. John Starke & his Wife Martha Starke, each the sume of fifty Pagodas for Mourning.

Item I give and bequeath to my Hond. Father and Mother, Ea. the sume of Fifty Pounds Sterling for Mourning.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Brother William Tullie the Sume of one hundred Pounds to be remitted him by Bill of Exchange.

Item I give and bequeath unto Mr. Nathaniel Turner & his Wife Elizabeth Turner, Each the sume of Thirty Pagodas for Mourning.

Item I give and bequeath unto Mr. Elihu Trenchfeild my Attorney in England the sume of Fifty Pounds Sterling for Mourning.

I do hereby appoint & Request my Good Freinds Mr. John Emmerson, the Reverend Mr. William Leake & Mr. John Lauder to be Execut[ors] of this my Will. I leave and bequeath to each of them for their trouble the Sume of one hundred and fifty Pagodas.

Lastly I leave and bequeath the remainder of my Estate to be Equally divided between my Brother Philip Tullie, Sister Amy Tullie & my Goddaughter Martha Starke Daughter of John & Martha Starke. In case of the Death of my said Goddaughter before she arrives at the age of Eighteen I then leave her part to her Mother Martha Starke (if alive at the time of my decease) In whose hands I wou'd have the said third part deposited for the Use of my said Goddaughter to be employ'd by her in what manner she pleases. In case of the Death of my Goddaughter Martha Starke & her Mother Martha Starke before the time of my decease I then leave the one third part of my Estate before mention'd to the Children of my Uncle Thomas Tullie Dean of Carlisle. In case of the Death of both my Brother Philip & Sister Amy Tullie before the time of my decease in such case I order the two third Parts of my Estate designd them to be Equally divided between the children of my said Uncle Th[omas] Tullie & my Brother William Tullie, In case only one of them be dead [at] the time of my decease then the two thirds of my Estate to fall to the Survivor. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal in Fort St. George this twenty ninth day of June in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred & twenty three.

George Tullie (*L.S.*)

Sign'd & Sealed where no Stampt Paper is to be had, publish'd, & declared by ye. within nam'd George Tullie to be his last Will & Testament in the presence of Us & by us Sign'd in the Presence of the Testator & of each other.

Richard English.
Samuel Fowler.
Thomas Gray.
Franº. Daraujo.

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To the Honble. Nathl. Elwick Esqr.
Presid^t. & Govern^r. of Fort S^t. George &c^ra. Council.

The Petition of Godee Ankenah

Humbly Sheweth

That when Your Petitioner came to S^t. Thomé he intended to come to Madrass and sent word several times to Your Hon^rs. Dubash Paupiah Bramon, Sunca Ramah and Tomby Chittee & the[y] sent me word that as soon as they had opportunity to Acquaint Your Hon^r. they wou'd send me Word but having no Answer from them I thought fitt to acquaint Your Honour myself by way of Petition.

On Saturday night three of the Companys people came to my Lodgings and told me Your Honour Sent for me to which I replied I wou'd wait on Your Honour directly but one of the Peons called Annepau took hold of my hand and drew his sword and wounded me in the side, after that he and the other two carried me into the Yard and one of them put my head under his Arm and cutt the tip of my Ears and took my Jewels, my Mother in Law seeing what they did ask'd them why they us'd me so ill at which one of them drew his sword and cutt my Mother in Law on the Neck, then one of my men Servants seeing me so Cruelly Us'd begg'd them to let me alone. One of them presently cutt off his hand and gave him a Wound on the head and after that they gave me several wounds on my Belly and Breast, then they beat all my women Servants and brought me into the Streets kicking and beating me on the Belly, then bringing me half way to Madrass they Oversett me beating and Kicking me very basely and thinking that they had kill'd me they put their hands to my Nose to see if I was breathing or whether I was dead or alive. Then they brought me before Your Honour who was pleas'd to order Doctor Pitchere to dress my wounds who told me that if I had staid but four hours longer without a Doctor I had been a Dead man.

I can assure Your Hon^r. &c^ra. Council that I never wrong'd the Company or am Indebted to any Body but am a ffree Merchaut and pay the Companys Customs for my Merchandize. I liv'd before under the Protection of M^r. Horden who is now gone for England So that now by Your Honour &c^a. leave I shall trade for myselfe.

I am still very weak in my Body and Limbs, therefore leave it wholly to Your Honour &c^ra. Council to see Your poor Petitioner righted and the offenders punish'd According to Your Hon^r. &c^ra. Councils pleasure and your poor Petitioner as in Duty bound

Shall Ever Pray.

At a Consultation

Present

Wednesday the 18th.

Nathl. Elwick Esqr. Govern^r. Presid^t.
James Macrae. Rich^d. Benyon.
John Emmerson. Randal Fowke.
James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Remonstrances from Some of y^e. Company's Servt^s. about M^r. Newcome.

Read Several Papers presented to the Board by some of the Companys Servants relating to our resolve about M^r. Newcome in Consultation of the 9th. instant which are Order'd to be enter'd hereafter for the Consideration of the Honourable Court of Directors.

General Letter from Ft. St. David read.

General Letters from the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort S^t. David N°. 165 read bearing date the 10th. instant giving a particular account of their proceedings and resolutions about their Investm^t. and the reduction of their expences. They Recommend Ensign Keys Children for charity, Promise to reduce their customs in the manner order'd from hence, Inclose the copies of the cowles which we lately

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sent for and add their Opinions how they may be either call'd in or made more easy to the Inhabitants. They advise of two Vessels going over their Barr to lye the Monsoon, mention two English Sailors whome they have taken into the Gunroom till we shall either approve or disaprove of it And the breaking of Ensign Fox for his Sottishness but desire to know if we will allow him any Subsistance. They likewise ask whether We Expect a further Answer from them about the Paragraphs in the General Letter from England relating to their Settlement.

Several Resolutions on y^e. Contents of y^e. preceedg. Letter.

AGREED that Ensign Fox thô he has behav'd himself latterly in a Sottish manner yet having formerly done very good Service in the Warrs at Fort S^t. David and been an old Servant to the Company be allow'd half pay for his and his Wifes Subsistance.

RESOLV'D that no money shall be Stopp'd at Fort S^t. David from the Souldiers on Account of Debts to the Parriar Arrack farmers.

RESOLV'D that no Fugitives thô English shall be entertain'd in the Gunroom or otherways at Fort S^t. David.

[A] Committee appointed [to] examine y^e. Cowls.

The copies of the several cowles were deliver'd to the Gentlemen who had Examin'd the customs to peruse & report them to the Board for our final resolutions on that affair.

Anconahe affair continued. Several Examinations thereupon.

After this the Board proceeded in the examination of Anconahs affair and the man who had his hand cutt off being ask'd if he knew who did it replied no, That he was lying on a Cott in the Yard & hearing Anconah cry out that he was kill'd he went and beg'd of the Peons not to use him ill but carry him softly upon which they gave him a Blow which cut off his hand and went thrô his Turband and wounded him in the fforehead.

The Woman who was wounded being ask'd if she knew who wounded her says no, but that the peons used Anconah very hardly & she went to beg them not to doe so but consider [he] was Sick Whereupon one of them gave her a blow in the back part of her Head and she fell down, after that she does not know what pass'd.

Two Braminys that were reading to Anconah at the time he was seiz'd were interrogated about the matter, one declar'd that Annapah Seiz'd him, the other did not know his name but said it was a short black peon which discription agrees with what the other said.

The two Peons who were first prisoners were ask'd what orders Annapah gave them when they went into the House to which the Moorman replied That he ask'd Annapah what they must do should Anconah have any ffreinds with him that shou'd make resistance & that he said His orders were to fetch Anconah and if any body offer'd to hinder them they must cutt 'em to peices To which Annapah replied that so far from that He bid them leave their Swords at the Door but he had before Confess'd that He went in with his Sword in his hand himself and it appear'd from all the Evidence that the Peons went in Arm'd and that all the Mischeif was done in the House and Yard.

Anconah was again Ask'd if he could tell who wounded him but replied that he was Sitting with two Braminies reading and that Annapah came in with his Sword in his hand follow'd by the other two, told him the Governour called, to which he replied he was coming but that He caught him by the hand and pull'd him along and put out the Light after which he receiv'd the wound and that they cutt the Jewills out of his Ears and abus'd him very much in the Dark.

After this they were Order'd to withdraw and the affair was debated for sometime when the two Braminies were called in again and ask'd who put out the Light to which they replied that Annapah did it in Dragging Anconah along, whether designed or not they cou'd not tell. Then they withdrew.

After some further time in Examining this matter It appear'd plain That there had been a Villainous design of abusing Anconah, That he was wounded in the side, that his Jewills were cutt out of his Ears, that his mother was wounded in the Head &

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one of his Servants had his hand cutt off only for desiring them not to abuse Anconah but to Consider he was Lame, That the Three prisoners were the only Persons concern'd therein and were all of them Culpable.

Punishmt. of ye. offenders.

Resolv'd therefore that their Effects be Confiscated and sold in order to recompence the man who has lost his hand and that the Criminals shall on Wednesday next stand in the Pillory, have their Ears cutt off and be whipp'd out of the Bounds.

Company's Merchts. talked wth. & told the penalty of not complyg. with their Contract.

The Companys Merchants after this was over, were sent for and ask'd to give a Positive reply to the following Question, Whether they wou'd bring in Cloth enough in time for the dispatch of the Europe ships of the same sort as the Muster they contracted by which they endeavour'd to evade but being pressed for a Direct answer they said they wou'd do all they cou'd but that they fear'd they shou'd not be able to comply, Whereupon it was Agreed & Resolv'd to take all that they brought that was Equall to Muster and if they complied with their contract it was well, If not they shou'd suffer the Penalty.

Cloth to be bôt wherever to be got.

Agreed further that since the Merchants give us so little re[ason] to expect any quantity of cloth from them We will take whatever is equall to our Musters and prices by Whomsoever it be Provided.

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Jas. Macrae.
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To the Honble. Nathl. Elwick Esqr.
President & Governr. &cra. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble. Sr. & Srs.

Observing by the resolutions taken last Consultation about Mr. Newcombe that You design to recommend him home to the Honble Court of Directors as a person very well deserving their favour the consequence whereof I conceive will be an order from them for his being admitted to this Establishment I think it incumbent on me in Justice to myself and in Gratitude for the favours I have already recd. from my Honble Masters to Endeavour what in me lies to maintain the rank I have for some time held in their Service. Yr. Honour &cra. will therefore give me leave to lay before You what I have to say in this and will do me the Justice to believe that nothing coud have prevailed on me to trouble You with this Address but a desire of preserving to myself the Benefits which my Honble Masters have been pleasd to confer on me which wou'd in great Measure be lost to me by Mr. Newcomes Supereeeding me and are too valuable to part with without at least endeavouring to preserve them.

In May 1719 I was by the Honble Joseph Collet Esqr. and Council admitted to the Service as a Factor, Immediately thereupon I was appointed to take charge of the Import Warehouse which I perform'd I believe to Satisfaction. The latter end of that Year Mr. Synnock dying I was order'd Sub accomptant till Mr. Hubbard return'd from Benjar And from the 16th. November to [the] 10th. December I brot. up two months journal Parcels cast up [in the] Ledger, made out the Ballance [sheet] and Posted it and clos'd the heads, notwithstanding which I continued in the import Warehouse till Mr. Hastings and Council in consequence of a letter relating to two other Persons who were order'd to be dismiss'd dismiss'd me likewise from the Service. Upon the change of Government I was readmitted and appointed under the President and in the beginning of the Year 1723 I was order'd Secretary which trust Yr Honour &cra. are the best Judges whether I have discharg'd to Satisfaction or not.

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When the Honble Court of Directors were pleas'd to confirme my admission to their Service They gave for reason that some of them knew me and were Satisfied the recommendation given of me was just And when in consequence of this confirmation I was readmitted I obtain'd from Your Hon^r. &c^ra. a further recommendation which I flatter myself I have not abused.

I must beg leave to trouble Your Honour &c^ra. a little Longer while I remark that the Honble Court of Directors have very Seldome thought fitt to send Factors to this Presidency and almost always do to the West coast And it hath been a generally receiv'd Notion that a Writer upon the Fort S^t. George establishment was equall at least if not preferable to a Factor upon the West coast.

I do not so particularly recollect any Positive order from the Court of Directors to forbid their Servants who are Entertain'd for the West coast coming over hither as to point to it immediately but there is to prevent the Military officers doing it And as the Mercantile service hath been by our Honble Masters fix'd superiours to the other the Argument holds the stronger against any of their coming, especially since as I before said few go to Bencoolen under the degree of a Factor and that till within the[se] two or three Years we have hardly ever had instances of their coming in so advanc'd a Station to this place and therefore were the Gentlemen who go to the West Coast at Liberty to come hither in their standings They wou'd take place of those who had serv'd three or four Years longer than themselves.

What I wou'd from hence prevail upon Y^r. Honour &c^t. to grant me is That when You recommend M^r. Newcome to the favour of my Hble. Masters You will please (If I have behav'd myself so as to merit it) to make such mention of me as may still preserve to me the seniority I have for sometime had in their Service which if granted shall with the Utmost gratitude be Acknowledg'd by

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HON^BLE. S^R. & SIRS
Your most Obedient Servant

GEORGE TORRIANO.

TO THE HON^BLE. NATH^L. ELWICK ESQ^R.
PRESIDENT & GOVERN^R. OF FORT S^T. GEORGE &C^RA. COUNCIL.

HON^BLE. S^R. & S^RS.

I hope as the Honourable Court of Directors have been pleas'd to order and direct That whenever any person is agreiv'd he shall in a modest manner lay his greivancies before Your Hon^r. &c^ra. in order that they may be either determin'd by You or referr'd home to them for their Adjudication, That I shall not Transgress in what I am now to lay before You Since they have been pleas'd expressly to declare that all complaints which come presented to them in this nature shall be redress'd, Wherefore I pray you will pardon me at this time for troubling Your Hon^r. &c^ra. since I cannot avoid it without being wanting to my Self and that I may take up as little of Your times at this Juncture as possible I shall offer nothing to You but the Naked truth.

In Consequence of which I must begg leave to represent that I have been employ'd in Your Accomptants Office ever since 1716 as will appear by the severall Journals and leidgers the Honble Company now have at home till March 1722 when You were pleas'd to order me head Searcher at the Sea Gate where I presume the large improvement that has lately been made in that revenue of the customs will shew that I have discharged my Duty with care and honesty Thô I then had all the burthen of the business of your Accomptants office on me for several months after with but very little assistance to which I presume Your Hon^r. &c^ra. are not strangers since I went thro' it I hope to Your Satisfaction for the books will still appear and if so I can never believe the Honourable Court of Directors or Your Hon^r. &c^ra. can think fitt to give expected services the preference to those already past.

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This very sensibly and indeed with some concern leads me to take notice of the last paragraph of the Hoñble Court of Directors letter to Your Honr. &cre. ℔ Ship Cardigan Wherein they are pleas'd to say That they have been assur'd Mr. Richard Carter who is employ'd or Proper to be employ'd under the Accomptant has behav'd well and meritts their regard Wherefore they direct that if he perseveers his Seniority be preserv'd to him.

Now if Mr. Carters standing must commence as a Factor for five Years from 22d. of July 1719 being the time he arrived here he will gett above me I think eight days thô he has Yett been in the Comps. Service but a little more than five Years Whereas I have Serv'd them upwards of eight and as the Hoñble Company have been pleas'd to say that Mr. Carter meritts their regard if he perseveers I humbly request he will produce any one instance of his perseverance in their Service Since this late order, for it is by faith and good works and not by faith only (Pardon me) that every man is to be Justified and tho' Mr. Carter may have behav'd well (I need not say where) Yet the truth is he has never done any thing in the Companys Accomptants office here so that if the Hoñble Court of Directors are so indulgent to him upon the bare Supposition of his being proper to be employ'd under the Accomptant it wou'd be an absurdity in me to imagine they wou'd discourage others for their good behaviour there after Several years Tryall.

And as Your Honour &cre. have lately been pleas'd to appoint Mr. Carter to be head Searcher at the Sea Gate which employ I enjoy'd before Mr. Carter had any title to one till Mr. Higginson arriv'd here and as Mr. Carter has since superceeded me in Standing by eight days I must request your Honour &cra. wou'd either be pleas'd to determine this affair here or else represent it (as it really is a Hardship upon me) home to the Hoñble Court of Directors for their Decision and as I presume you granted Mr. Carter the head Searchers employ upon account of his being eight days Senior to me so I presume you will permitt me to observe that Mr. Crooke is some years Senior to both him and me So that by Standing the head Searchers employ devolves on him but I Submitt that to your Honour &cras. better Judgement.

If in the foregoing I have not already tresspass'd on Your Honr. &cre. Patience I will still crave leave to add that if Mr. Newcome is taken in on this Establishment it will be an universal hardship upon the Companys Servants on this Settlement and more particularly on the Senior Servants as appears by the 80th. paragraph of the Hoñble Court of Directors Letter ℔ Ship Cardigan dated the 14th. of Februa. 1722 Wherein they express a great tenderness for their Servants and even make a Caveat against having any of the Westcoast Gentlemen putt over the heads of any of their covenant Servants here who lye under no Censure as fully appears by the said 80th. paragraph of their letter which runs thus—

The fatal desertion of Bencoolen as we have the Account Casts a reproach more or less on every body then there so that we are not very willing to Station any of them, meaniug the West Coast Gentlemen allow'd to remaine with you according to the Years they have been in our Service (observe the reason) because they may be putt over the heads of some of our Covenanted Servants at Fort St. George that doe not lye under any Censure nor do we know whether their Actions since with You have distinguish'd them Sufficiently to deserve our Particular regard, when we do We shall be able to Judge better, Therefore give us the Account faithfully with Your Opinion.

It is plain to me that when the foregoing paragraph was wrote the Hoñble Court of Directors had the Welfare and encouragement of their Servants on this Establishment Particularly at heart and as the same now falls under your Honour &cra. Consideration it is to be hop'd that Mr. Newcome will not Superseed us without we lye under some censure. I am with all imaginable Submission and Respect

HONBLE. SRS. & SRS.
Your most Obedient Humble Servt.
JOHN LAUDER.

FORT ST. GEORGE
THE 16TH. NOVEMBER 1724.

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To the Hoñble Nathan^{l}. Elwick Esqr.
President & Governour of Fort S^{t}. George &c^{ra}. Councill.

Honble. S^{rs}. & S^{rs}.

M^{r}. Stephen Newcombe being by a Resolve of last Consultation to be recommended home to the Honble. Court of Directors in order to be put upon this Establishment we think we should be very much wanting to ourselves should we not beg leave to represent to Your Hon^{r}. &c^{ra}. the hardship it will be to us if in Consequence of such recommendation M^{r}. Newcome shou'd succeed in his Standing here as if he had Come out for this place directly.

We beg leave to offer to Your Hon^{r}. &c^{ra}. Consideration that some time ago M^{r}. Robert Berriman was entertain'd in the Service as a ffactor for Fort S^{t}. David and for several Years behav'd himself to Satisfaction yet when he petition'd to be admitted in his standing here Your Hon^{r}. &c^{ra}. Agreed in Consultation of 12th. ffeb. 1722/3 that he being particularly chose for Fort S^{t}. David it would be a Hardship to the Gentlemen at this place to allow him to take his Standing here, the argument we presume holds the same in M^{r}. Newcombes Case who was Chosen for the West coast only with this Addition that the Hoñble Court of Directors in the 66th. Paragraph of their letter ℔ Monmouth order that the Gentlemen who came out for the West coast should be sent thither when opportunity offer'd. In answer to that Letter your Hon^{r}. &c^{ra}. wrote the Company that M^{r}. Newcombe and two other Gentlemen desir'd to stay here which You had granted but referr'd their Stations to the Court of Directors to which they reply in the 80th. paragraph of their Letter ℔ Cardigan that they cannot Consent to station any of the Westcoast Gentlemen according to the Years they have serv'd least they shou'd thereby supersced any of their Servants on this Establishment.

Wee cannot but Promise ourselves from the very tender regard your Hon^{r}. &c^{ra}. were pleas'd to show for us in M^{r}. Berrimans Case that we shall meet with the same favour in this and that as your Hon^{r}. &c^{ra}. have been for some time Judges of our Behaviour in the Service of our Hoñble Masters you will please to make mention of this affair in such a manner as to You shall seem Just and that the Hardship we shall suffer by M^{r}. Newcombes superseeding us may be laid before them.

We are with all respect and Submission
Honble. S^{rs}. & S^{rs}.
Your most Obedient Humble Servants

Fort S^{t}. George
16th. November 1724.

Robert Woolley.
Paul Foxley.
Nich^{ls}. Morse.
Rich^{d}. English.
Chas. Peers.

At a Consultation

Present

Nathl. Elwick Esqr. Govern^{r}. President.
James Macrae. Rich^{d}. Benyon.
John Emmerson. Randal Fowke.
James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Monday the 23^{d}.

Nathan^{l}. Elwick Esqr. Mintmaster reads that Acc^{t}. for last month ballance due from him thirty four Pagodas four fanams & ten Cash which is carried to next month to pay for making chops & Rupees nine thousand three hundred and nineteen and el'ven anas which are deliver'd the Warehousekeeper.

Mint acc^{t}. read.

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Export Wareh°. Acc^t. read.

Richard Benyon Export Warehousekeeper reads that Account for last month ballance due to him Seven hundred twenty seven Pagodas four fanams & twelve Cash of which he is now paid Seven hundred Pagodas.

Import Wareh°. acc^t. read.

Richard Benyon Import Warehousekeeper reads that Account for last month ballance due from him two thousand nine hundred fifty seven Pagodas fifteen fanams & twenty three Cash of which he now pays in two thousand seven hundred Pagodas.

Sales of Sundries at y^e. Seegate by y^e. Wareh°. Keep^r. deld. in

He Likewise delivers in an Account Sales of sundry goods at Outcry being Damaged or Old Remains in y^e. Warehouse which is enter'd after this Consultation.

Wareh°. Keeper's report of y^e. carpets which are agreed to be made use of and Carried to y^e. head of house-moveables.

He also reports to the Board that there are in the Companys books three Carpetts valued at three hundred forty five pagodas which were bought many Years Ago for a present for the Mogull but that two of them have been long us'd in the Consultation room and that the other being touch'd with the Moth was put up at Outcry among the other goods but wou'd fetch no more than forty Pagodas so that it was taken in again for the Company till further orders from the Board.

AGREED that all three be pass'd to account House Moveables at Forty Pagodas each and that the remaining two hundred twenty five Pagodas be wrote Off by Proffitt & Loss.

Wareh°. Keepers report about [y^e.] Broad Cloth being Short of y^e. Invoice Lengths, resoltions thereupon.

The Warehousekeeper further reports that Several peices of the Broad Cloth come out this Year prov'd short of the Invoice measure and several peices being produc'd to the Board were measur'd and found some a quarter, some half a Yard less than the Invoice, Wherefore it was AGREED That to prevent any fraud from the Conicoplies no peice shall be cutt before it be first measur'd by the Warehousekeeper and that this be mention'd in our next General Letter to the Honourable Court of Directors.

Sea Customers acc^t. read.

John Emmerson Sea Customer reads that Account for last month Viz^t.

CUSTOM on goods imported & exported	P^s.	576	9 46
ANCHORAGE		46	— —
	P^s.	622	9 46

ballance due from him four thousand six hundred forty six pagodas three fanams and seventy five Cash of which he pays in three thousand pagodas.

Paymaster's acc^t. read.

Randal Fowke Paymaster reads that Acc^t. for last month Viz^t.

Charges Garrison	P^s.	1452	30 35
Charges General		448	6 25
Charges Cattle		66	24 —
Bombay Presidency		40	— —
Hospital Charges		44	31 —
Charges Extraordinary		21	21 —
Marlbrô Fort		2	4 —
Charges Diet		583	12 —
Repairs of Fortifications		44	15 70
	P^s.	2704	— 50

ballance due from him thirty one Pagodas nineteen fanams & twenty Cash which is carried to next months Account.

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The Extraordinary Expences in this months Acc^{t}. consist of the following articles— Extraordinary Expence examin'd.

CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY VIZ^{T}.						
Diet to 9 Prisoners	P^{s}.	8	24	—		
D^{o}. to 4 West coast Coffrees ...		6	—	—		
Paid a Soldier at Christning his Child		1	—	—		
Burnfire on the 5th. November ...		5	—	—		
Boathire mustering ship Sunderlands men		—	18	—		
Boat sending a prisoner on board her		—	5	—		
Surveying ship Goodfellow Boathire		—	10	—		
					P^{s}. 21	21 —
MARLBRÔ FORT						
paid Corporal Bradleys wife ...	P^{s}.	1	—	—		
paid for a Seal		—	34	—		
Boathire for Souldiers sent thither		—	6	—		
					2	4 —
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY						
paid M^{rs}. Cowses Children ...	P^{s}.	15	—	—		
paid Widow Burton & her Children		25	—	—		
					40	— —
					P^{s}. 63	25 —

George Drake Storekeeper reads that account for last month ballance due from him One thousand nine hundred sixty eight Pagodas seven fanams and thirty cash of which he pays in one thousand eight hundred Pagodas. Storekeeper's acc^{t}. read.

M^{r}. Higginson inform'd the Board that he beleiv'd there was a Probability of providing about three hundred bales of Cloth at Nagore in time for the Latter Ships which might be carried to Fort S^{t}. David from thence in January at which time there are sometimes Spurts of Southerly wind & that if the Board thought fitt to make the Experiment there were some Vessels in Fort S^{t}. David River which he believ'd might be hired for the Service, That he believes our Merchants the Most proper to sett about such a thing but that if they cannot or will not he is of opinion there are some People at Fort S^{t}. David that wou'd undertake it, That if such a thing succeeds two of the Councill at Fort S^{t}. David might be sent with some of the Warehouse Conicoplys &c^{a}. to measure, Sort and Embale it there. M^{r}. Higginson's proposal about buyg. Cloth at Nagore. Debated.

To this it was urged that Possibly it being in another Government the Merchants might after having been advanc'd money on such an account be Squeez'd by the Moors and that as they are not men of very great substance there the Company might be Sufferers but if it cou'd be done without that risque It might be a means of assisting us in the dispatch of the Ships and shou'd the Cloth Come too late it wou'd only lie for the September Ship. Debate continued.

AGREED Therefore to write to Fort S^{t}. David to try whether any thing may without risquing the Companys money be done, To order them to be Speedy in their answer & promise if any likelyhood of success that we will send them supplies to enable them to go thro' therewith. the proposal approved &

Our own Merchants being call'd in were Acquainted with the thoughts of the Board about this affair & promis'd that they would write this very afternoon and use their utmost endeavours to comply therewith. y^{e}. Same made to our Merch^{ts}. who promise to do y^{e}. most they can therein.

N. ELWICK.
JA^{S}: MACRAE.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
[*Lacuna*].
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

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OUTCRY OF SUNDRY GOODS OUT OF THE COMPANYS IMPORT WAREHOUSE OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE OCTOBER THE 8TH. 1724.

LOOKING GLASSES VIZ^{T}.

Nichaloo Bauloo—1 Small with a blew & Gold Frame	10	22	40	
Mathew Empson—1 Large with a Carv'd Topp & Gilt frame	28	—	—	
M^{r}. Richard English—1 with a Gilt Frame ...	15	—	—	
Mathew Empson—a pair with Glass Frames ...	81	—	—	
M^{r}. Rouse--An Old Glass with a black Frame ...	5	27	—	
				149 13 40
Monsr. Deverjee—1 Broken Telescope				— 7 —

LEAD CA.

M^{r}. English	2	...	...	...	40	— —
D^{o}.	2	...	...	...	40	— —
D^{o}.	2	...	...	...	40	— —
D^{o}.	2	...	...	...	40	— —
D^{o}.	2 @ 20¼	...	...	...	40	18 —
	10 Candy					200 18 —

HORSE FURNITURE VIZ^{T}.

John Murray—5 Saddle Trees				—	15 —
M^{r}. Chas. Peers—2 Bitts				1	6 —
Mathew Empson—3 D^{o}.				1	20 —
John Murray—20 D^{o}. @ 20 fa^{s}. ea.				11	4 —
Ensign Rush—4 pair of Stirrups				—	16 —
M^{r}. English--Reins & Headstalls 6 of ea. ...				—	19 —
Chas. Hunter—Reins & Headstalls 6 of ea. ...				—	20 —
Ensign Rush	D^{o}.	...	...	—	21 —
John Murray	D^{o}.	...	...	—	21 —
D^{o}.	D^{o}.	...	...	—	29 —
D^{o}.	D^{o}.	...	...	—	23 40
Harrey Medhurst— 8 of ea.	D^{o}.	...	...	1	11 —
M^{r}. Robert Woolley—1 of ea.			...	—	4 45
Torriano— 1	D^{o}.		...	—	4 45
Morse—Girts & Stirrup Leathers 6 of ea.			...	1	8 —
Empson	D^{o}. 6		...	1	— —
Rush	D^{o}. 6		...	—	24 —
D^{o}.	D^{o}. 6		...	—	25 —
Murray	D^{o}. 6		...	—	25 —
D^{o}.	D^{o}. 6		...	—	25 —
Armagum	D^{o}. 6 & 1 Stirrup Leather		...	—	15 —
Pand Lottery	D^{o}. 6		...	—	25 —
Harrey Medhurst	6		...	—	24 —
Jno. Murray	6		...	—	28 70
M^{r}. Rouse—14 Girts 7 Headstalls			...	1	19 —
Franks—3 Bitts @ 20 fa^{s}. ea.			...	1	24 —
Woolley—1			...	—	20 —
Tobbiu—1			...	—	20 — 31 32 40
			PAGODAS	372	35 —

24 Receiv'd two Letters from the Deputy Govern^{r}. &c^{a}. Council of Fort S^{t}. David.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

WEDNESDAY THE 25TH.

NATHAN^{L}. ELWICK ESQ^{R}. GOVERN^{R}. PRESIDENT.
JAMES MACRAE. RICHARD BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. RANDAL FOWKE.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

General Letters Viz^{t}.

General Letters read Viz^{t}.

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N°. 166 From the Deputy Governour and Council of F^t. S^t. David dated the 19th. of this month wherein they tell us that the cloth bro^t. in by the Merchants is so bad that the last Sorting day they were oblig'd to Sort the Warriapollam and Nagore Cloth to Long cloth ordinary N°. 2 and when so done out of twenty six Bales and two thirds they could take in only thirteen. They add that the Merchants refuse to acquiesce with their Sorting in the above manner but that they resolve to continue it till directions from us and in the interim that cloth is laid by it Self either to be taken in or chopp'd as We shall order. One from Fort St. David.

N°. 167 From the Deputy Governour alone of the same date advising the receipt of ours of the 16th. which he promises to answer in a General Letter in few days, in the interim He says He will follow our orders and take in all the Cloth that can be procured which is equall to the Companys Musters by whomsoever it be brought in In Order whereto he desires a supply of Cash. One from M^r. Turner.

This being the Day appointed for the punishing of the Peons concern'd in Anconah's affair a Letter from Aga Mogheen the Governour of S^t. Thome was taken into Consideration wherein he begs they may be pardon'd which after some Debate it was AGREED to comply with for so far as related to the two Peons who were under Orders Aga Mogheen's letter about y^e. peon's that abused Anconah taken into Consideration & complied with in part.

both because the Majority of the Board are of opinion That they are not so guilty as the other and that if in complying with Aaga Mogheens desire we shou'd take off his resentment for what lately happen'd in his bounds It might possibly prevent this affair ever being trump'd up by the Nabob or any other that may in future have an inclination to be troublesome. reasons for it.

As to Aunapah It was Agreed that the Judgem^t. Shou'd be Executed against him but the heads of the whole Left hand cast appearing before the Board and begging that the Corporal might be Changed into a Pecuniary punishment It was for some time debated and the Secretary who had been to seal up the Doors of the offenders having reported to the Board that he found nothing in any of the Houses but that where Annapah liv'd and that all the goods &c^a. therein were claim'd by the Father of the said Annapah there appear'd no way of making reparation to the several Sufferers but by complying with the request of the Cast Wherefore it was AGREED to accept of a sume of money in return. Annapah to be punish'd as before resolved but the Casts offer^e. a sum of money to Save his Ears it was accepted, the reasons for so doing.

Anconah having had his Jewels taken from him & been wounded as well as very ill us'd It was thought proper that he shou'd have given him two hundred pagodas which had been more but that his Circumstances are good and this is rather design'd as a Publick acknowledgement of the crime than an Equivalentf or it, the Peon cast being so very poor that it wou'd be impracticable for them to raise a Sufficient fine for y^t. How much given to An onh & Why.

The Weaver being a person much inferiour to the other wou'd not have had an equall Gratuity but that his hand being cutt off had disabled him from getting his Livelyhood and it was therefore tho^t. necessary to give him such a sume as might maintain him, at least put him in a way of living easy the rest of his life wherefore He was likewise order'd two hundred Pagodas. How much to y^e. Weaver & y^e. reasons for it.

The Woman that was wounded and a Jetty fellow who was likewise hurt but has not appear'd were order'd fifty pagodas ea. their hurts being but small. w^t. to two other people y^t. were hurt.

This was thought sufficient for the injur'd persons but it being necessary that the Publick should have some reparation for the affront to Justice by these Crimes It was AGREED to fine him further two hundred Pagodas to be lodg'd in the Corporation Cash towards keeping the Bridges in repair And the Peon to be immediately turn'd out of the service. A fine to y^e. publick likewise Agreed as a reparation for y^e. insult to justice.

Bills of sale for the Houses & Gardens formerly belonging to Mar Kistna sold at Outcry by order of Consultat^n. of the 23^d. August last to pay a Mortgage bond to Chinevass Chitty given to Poncala Kistna, Tomby Chitty & Budderoyah. Bills of Sale given for Mar Kistna's houses.

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money to be Sent to Ft. St. David wth. Mr. Higginson.

Agreed to send five thousand pagodas overland to Fort St. David, for supplying their Cash, along with Mr. Higginson.

N. Elwick.
Jas. Macrae.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

At a Consultation

Present

Monday the 30th.

Nathanl. Elwick Esqr. Governr. President.
James Macrae. Richard Benyon.
John Emmerson. Randal Fowke.
James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

journal parcels for Octr. read.

Journal parcels for the month of October Read.

Messrs. Smith & Greenslate to be allow'd for fresh provisions.

The Secretary delivers to the board a paper which he receiv'd from the Attorney of Mr. Alexander Smith being an Account of fresh provisions &cre. which he provided for his passage and for which his said Attorney desires Payment, the Honoriable Company not having laid in any Stores.

Agreed that in our next general to the West Coast Wee order the same to be paid to him and the like to Mr. Greenslate.

Land Customer's ballance pd. in.

James Hubbard Land Customer pays into Cash three hundred and six pagodas thirty five fanams and thirty four Cash ballance of his October months Account.

Muster roles produced & ordd. to be paid.

The Paymaster produces the Muster Roles for this Month to the Board which are order'd to be paid.

money advd. ye. Paymaster.

Order'd that one thousand five hundred pags. be advanc'd the Paymaster for defraying Charges Garrison.

Acct. Sales of Mar Kistna's houses dd. in.

The Secretary delivers in an Account of Sales of Mar Kistnas houses which is enter'd hereafter and the Ballance order'd to be paid Chinevas Chitty whereupon He

Dispute about ye. mortgage bond between Mr. Wendey & Chenevass Chitty.

inform'd the board that the reverend Mr. Wendy had applied to him to have his note to Chinevass Chitty deliver'd up and that he desires the orders of the Board about it the said note not being fully complied with and Chinevass Chitty insisting upon its being paid off,

Affair of ye. Mint Bramines & Mar Kistna examin'd.

Whereupon they were both sent for, In the Interim, the Board took into consideration the Petition of the Mint Braminies against Mar Kistna, which is enterd after Consultation of the 8th. September 1722: Wherein they set forth, that he forc'd them to give his Master Governour Hastings, One thousand two hundred pagodas, and took one hundred for himself. They were Call'd in, and Mar Kistna Likewise; and the said Complaint being read to him, He alledg'd That in Mr. Collets time they left the Bounds, and came to him at Fort St. David, desiring he would use his Interest with Mr. Hastings, that they might be permitted to return; which he did, and they accordingly came and that the twelve hundred pagodas was the present, that they had before promis'd; and as for the one hundred Pagodas, they gave it in Charity, to the Pagoda at Kistnaporam, but they charging him with confining them in his house, and obliging them to give the money, He denied it; and said they came of their own Accord. On the Contrary they affirm, that he sent for them Several Times by the Companys Peons, and that the last time he would not let them go, till

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[they] had Agreed to give the said 1200 pagodas, and one hundred pagodas to himself, That they did not give the said sume for Charity, but gave it to him or Surahmaunae for him in Gold, what he did with it they did not know.

Upon the Examination, it appearing that the said Braminees were not in a Capacity to give such a sum in Charity, and that Kistna had oblig'd them to give the said Money, It was Agreed, that the one hundred Pagodas ought to be repaid ; and that the Consideration of the crime, be deferr'd till the other Complaints against the said Kistna be heard.

Mr. Wendey & Chinivass Chitty attending the Board about the before mention'd Note, the former gave the following Account. Mr. Wendey & Chenevase Chitty's affair exam^d.

That observing Kistna's Creditors endeavouring to secure their Debts, He thought himself obliged to do what was in his Power, to get in the Debt to Mr. Hastings's Estate ; & accordingly procured a Mortgage of Kistnas Houses ; That Sometime after, Mr. Turner being very pressing, for some Debts of the said Estate to Gentlemen in England, He propos'd to Kistna, to sell the Houses or to get somebody to lend money upon them. Accordingly he brought Chinevass Chitty, who agreed to lend the money, but desir'd the bond might be in his (Mr. Wendey's) name ; because shou'd the other Merchants hear, he was so great a Friend to Mar Kistna, they wou'd hurt him. Whereupon he had given the above note ; not that he had borrow'd the money, but because Chinevass Chitty was afraid to have it known that he had Lent Kistna any money. Mr. Wendey added, that as a further proof, the said Chinevass Chitty did not look upon him as his Debtor He had since recover'd a Debt, of two thousand pagodas of the said Chinevass Chitty ; and had lately lent him, two hundred and forty, for which he had a note, wherein the said Chinevass Chitty acknowledges, that all accounts being clear'd between them, He remain'd indebted two hundred and forty Pagodas to the said Mr. Wendey ; who produc'd further his Dubash, as an Evidence, who declar'd that the said Chinivass Chitty wanted to borrow one thousand, or fifteen hundred Pagodas of his Master, and offer'd to deliver up the said Mortgage : which his Master had not money in the House to Lend ; but that about a Week after, the said Chinevass Chitty came again and saying he was very much press'd for money, beg'd his master wou'd Petition the Board, for the sale of the houses. That his Master replied, upon his (Chinevass Chitty) desired he would ; but that in case any loss shou'd happen what then ? to which the other replied, that he would take the remainder of Mar Kistna. Mr. Wendey likewise call'd the barber who was shaving him at the same time this happen'd, whose Evidence agreed with the Dubashes. Mr. Wendeys acc^t. his Dubashe's evidence. another Witness

Chinevass Chitty, being then ask'd about the affair, began by Urging that the Witnesses were Mr. Wendeys Servants, and that he hop'd, they wou'd not have much creditt given to their Evidence and then went on, saying that he lent Mr. Wendey two thousand Pagodas upon Mar Kistnas Houses ; that he would have lent it Kistna, if Mr. Wendey would have consented to have it register'd in Court ; but he not agreeing thereto, He then lent him the money, and took his bond for it. That sometime after, he wanted money, and propos'd to Mr. Wendey, to pay him 1000, Or 1500 pag^s. on account the said Mortgage ; and that he wou'd take the remainder, when the Houses were sold ; but He (Mr. Wendey) not having so much money, lent him 240 Pagodas at Interest. Being told, that in the said note he had given Mr. Wendey a full discharge, He said he did not understand English & did not know what was in the note ; and that if any Gentleman, with whom he had dealings, gave him a Paper to sign, he shou'd repose so much trust in him, that he shou'd do it without examining. Being ask'd why he suffer'd himself to be sued, and did not pay Mr. Wendey with his own bond ; if he thought him indebted for it, He replied Sumadrue, and some other of his ffreinds, told him he must not mix accounts, but must pay his Debt, and after get the other. Chenevass Chitty's reply.

In answer to the Evidence of the Dubash, Chinevass Chitty brought an Evidence, who declar'd that Mr. Wendey propos'd to Chinevass Chitty, to take 1500 pag^s. and Quit the Mortgage, to which the other replied, he was in great want of money, and desir'd Mr. Wendey wou'd let him have 1000 Or 1500 pag^s. then, and they wou'd make up the Account afterwards. An Evidence produced by Chenevass Chitty.

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Decision of y^e. dispute On favour of henevass Chitty.

After which they withdrew; and the whole being consider'd, It was AGREED, That Chinevass Chitty did not think Mar Kistna responsible, unless the bonds were registred in a Publick manner; but that M^r. Wendey, offering himself for Security, he had accepted him, and thereupon lent him the money. Mar Kistna had been call'd in upon this Debate, and said that Chinevass Chitty lent him the money, but that he desir'd M^r. Wendey to act in the affair; but he having the day before told the Secretary, that Chinevass Chitty lent M^r. Wendey the money, upon making over the Mortgage, his Evidence was not much regarded. It appearing further that M^r. Wendey had demanded, but could not take up his own note, when he lent the said Chinevass Chitty the 240 Pag^s. & that the said Chinevass Chitty did Petition the Council, three days after signing it, for the Sale of the Houses; it was AGREED that he did not design to Quitt his pretensions to the Mortgage, nor did Understand the note he had sign'd, it being only writ in English. WHEREFORE RESOLV'D that Chinevass Chitty be paid the principal and Interest of the bond to this Time.

N. ELWICK.
JA^s. MACRAE.
RICH^D. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
[*Lacuna*].
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

AMOUNT OF PROVISIONS FOR M^r. ALEXANDER SMITHS VOYAGE TO BENCOOLEN VIZ^t.

To Goa Arrack	Pag^s.	8	— —
To Batavia D^o.		3	18 —
To Sugar Candy		1	18 —
To Madeira Wine 10 Gall. @ 18 fa^s.		5	— —
	Pag^s.	18	— —

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5TH. OCTOBER 1724.

ESTATE OF MAR KISTNA.

D^r.					C^r.		
To Cash p^d. Cryer mak^g. outcry	P.	—	18 —	By a House Sold at outcry to Poncala Kistna ...	P^s.	231	— —
To Quit rent & Scavingers duty p^d. the Honble Comp^y.		3	3 —	By a House Sold at outcry to Budderoyah		1090	— —
To Commission		93	16 16	By a Garden Sold at outcry to Tomby Chitty ...		150	— —
	P^s.	97	1 16				
To ball. to be paid Chinevass Chitty		1771	34 64	By Cash rec^d. princ^l. of a Mortgage bond of Checky Surrapah ... P. 300			
	P^s.	1869	— —	Interest 4 Y^rs. & 1 mo. ... 98		398	— —
					Pag^s.	1869	— —

FORT S^t. GEORGE NOV^r. 25TH. 1724.

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ GEORGE TORRIANO.
Sec^ry.

DECEMBER
1 Rec^d. a General from Ingeram & another from F^t. S^t. David.
4 Rec^d. a General Letter from Tellicherry & one from F^t. S^t. David.

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At a Consultation

Present

Nathan[l]. Elwick Esq[r]. Govern[r]. President.
James Macrae. Richard Benyon.
John Emmerson. Randal Fowke.
James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Fryday 4th. December

General Letters read Viz[t].

General Letters read.

N°. 168 from John Blunt Esq[r]. Resident at Ingeram dated 12 November giving an Account of some troubles that the Dutch and French meet with and advising that he will send up 200 Bales on the Ingeram Merchant in December & requesting a Supply.

From Mr. Blunt.

N°. 171 From the Cheif & Councill at Tellicherry dated 23[d]. October desiring larger advices than they say we have given them about the proceedings of the French and their Resolutions.

From Tellicherry.

N°. 169 & 170 From Fort S[t]. David dated 28th. November & 2[d]. instant, In the former they tell us that they have given Publick notice they will take all goods that are fitt for the Company of any that will provide them, That they fear nothing can be done at Nagore without Suncaramah and propose to try what may be done by the Gov[r]. of Tranquebar, Advise their having Sorted five Bales more of the Nagore Cloth to Long Cloth ordinary & desire orders about these and the former thirteen, That their Merchants want more money to be advanc'd them and desire orders about it and a Supply of Cash. They enclose a Remonstrance from their Officers & some Petitions from disbanded Topazees which are all read and order'd to be copied after the Letter. Lastly they recommend a Serjeant to supply the Vacancy occasion'd by their having broke Ensign Fox, the other Letter advises the receipt of a supply of Cash and that their Merchants ha[d] brought in since the rains about one hundred Bales which they hop'd would be better than what hitherto brought in.

2 from Ft. St. David.

The Acco[ts]. inclosd in the Ingeram Letter were deliver'd the Accomptant and we having lately sent by the Goodfellow 2000 pag[s]. he will be under no great Necessity for a supply till we can find a Good Conveyance.

Remarks on y[e]. Ingeram letter.

M[r]. Adams & Councill complain of our not giving them full advices whereas we have Constantly wrote what was material and have sent him accounts of our transactions with the French ab[t]. the affairs of the Mallabar Coast.

[on] y[e]. Tellicherry [affairs].

Resolv'd

That M[r]. Turner may Try if the Gov[r]. of Tranquebar can assist us in providing any cloth for the January ships.

[Reso]lutions upon the [cont]ents of y[e]. Ft. St. David letters.

That no money be advanced the Fort S[t]. David Merchants till they have clear'd their debt to the Company.

Do.

That they be allow'd 12 Corporals and no more in a Company at Fort S[t]. David which is just sufficient for their eleven Gaurds.

Do.

That Ensign Hutchins who is now upon our Supernumerary role be sent down the first Conveyance with a supply of Europeans to Fort S[t]. David.

Do.

That we forbid any Corporals to be made at Fort S[t]. David till we send the recruits down some of them being already such.

Do.

That the Europeans mention'd in the report of the Officers to be worn out in the Service be allow'd half pay but that none of the Discharg'd Topasses be, except such only who have lost any Limbs or been really disabled by the Service.

Do.

The Companys Merchants were call'd in and told that the Deputy Governour and Councill of Fort S[t]. David had Sorted some of the Nagore & Warriopollam cloth to Long cloth ordinary because it did not answer better to which it was expected They shou'd comply to which after some time spent in arguing with them they consented.

Company's Merch[ts]. told that they must perruit the Nagore & Worriapoll[m]. cloth to be Sorted as ordinary wch. they at [la]st Comply with.

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[re]port about y^e. Cowle[of]Fort St. David read.

Report relating to the Cowles receiv'd from Fort S^t. David read & Agreed to & ORDER'D to be Enter'd after Consultation.

The sd. report to be sent to Fort S^t. David wth. that about y^e. Customs.

ORDER'D that the said report with the form[er] about the Customs be copied and sent down to Fort S^t. David.

AGREED to write a General to Fort S^t. David to the Purport of the above Resolves and such others as have been taken in consequence of the Letters receiv'd from them since the 2^d. of last month which have not been replied to but in part that so when the Cowles had been Examin'd we might give Definitive Orders at once.

The delt due from y^e. Company's Merch^ts. demanded of them.

The Companys Merchants not having as Yet brought in any Quantity of cloth Account their new Contract they were told that they had some time since been advanc'd a large Sume of money for that end and that they must repay it to which they replied that they had sent the money to procure cloth. The Board then ask'd them when they thought they shou'd be in cash and allow'd them till next Consultation to consider and give[their]answer.

Cash acc^t. for Novr. read.

Cash Account for November read ballance Remaining twenty seven thousand eight hundred thirty four Pagodas [...] two Fanams, Five Cash.

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TO THE HON^BLE. NATH^L. ELWICK ESQ^R.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^T. GEORGE &C^RA. COUNCILL.

HON^BLE. S^RS. &C^RA.

Pursuant to Your Honour &c^ras. Orders We have Perus'd the several Cowles receiv'd from Fort S^t. David and shall now lay before You our Remarks thereon.

First as to the Bound renters it has been already propos'd to Your Hon^r. &c^ra. to take off their collecting of any Dutys[&] to lett that Cowle again without Juncan. The Deputy Governour & Councill in their letter of the 10th. November advise that they have often faild in complying with the conditions agreed on in their Cowles in relation to the Times of Paying in their rent by which their Cowle is forfeited, in the same Letter they propose the taking away their present Cowle & giving them a new one in which they shall not be allow'd any Dutys and as they get considerably by the Tobacco & Beetle Farm of which they are also renters, The Deputy Govern^r. &c^ra. believe they will continue to give the same rent as at present after taking off the Juncan rather than part with both cowles which We think if it can be effected shou'd be forthwith sett about, as it will be a vast relief to the Poor People & no Detriment to the Company. But shou'd they not be willing to take them on those Terms We think it wou'd be the best way to put up the Bound rent at Outcry & lett it to the best Bidder & the Renters not suffer'd to collect any Dutys at all. The Fishery is at present included in the Bound rent cowle & the Company in their Letters this Year observe that the renters impose *ad Libitum* on all Persons that throw netts into the river by which, Fish, being the cheif Food of the Poor Inhabitants, is so dear that they are hardly able to live. We don't find mention'd in the Cowle which way they receive any thing on that Account & must leave it to the Deputy Govr. & Councill to give a particular Account thereof that it may be Judg'd whether it is prejudicial or no.

Secondly as to the Beetle & Tobacco Farm having observ'd already that it is so very advantagious to the renters We are of opinion unless they will comply in taking the Bound rent also on the terms abovemention'd at the present rate That this Cowle also be taken away & put up at Outcry, as we Understand by the Letter

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from Fort S[t]. David, that they have fail'd in their Payment on this head as well as the other & thereby forfeited their Cowle. This is all We have to observe here, not Apprehending there is any inconveniencie, or hardships Occasion'd by this Farm.

Thirdly, as to the Arrack Farm as Your Hon[r]. &c[rs]. have already Order'd that no stoppage shall be made out of the Pay of any of the Military on account of the Farmers We find nothing else in that Cowle detrimentall but that it m[ay] be Continued as at present with that Exception Tho' Shou'd they refuse then to keep it as it is now rated it ought to be put up at Outcry.

Fourthly as to the Ferry Boat Cowle, The lett[er] from Fort S[t]. David observes that they cou'd get no Body to give the Usual rent of eighty Pag[s]. ℔ ann̄. That it is at present under the Charge of the Sea Customer, that the Companys Macquas are Employ'd about it & that the Tax is chiefly paid by the poor Labouring People; On which we beg leave to Observe that we are inform'd there are at least 4 Macquas taken out of the Gunroom & kept there which will come to 40 pag[s]. ℔ Ann̄. & that it is very likely other Macquas or Lascars will be entertain'd in the[ir] Room, The pay of whom we fear may come to more than the Income, We are told that before the Ferry was lett out the Sea Customer us'd to keep Cooleys to serve at the Ferry, whom hep[aid]out of the Dutys rec[d]. & there was then an Overplus of about ten pagodas a Year paid to the Company which we propose now as the best method & that no body be oblig'd to pay any thing but those who really pass in their Boat & they only the old rate of two Cash each & that they who have Boats of their own may be at Liberty to pass with them or ca[rry]Goods in them without any Duty, Having observ'd by the Cowle now receiv'd that they were by that Prohibited Which we think to have been a very great Hardship.

This is all We find necessary to be remarkd on the Cowles deliver'd us to be examin'd, which we Submitt to Your Honour &c[tras]. Consideration And are

HON[BLE]. S[R]. &C[RA].
Your most obedient Humble Servant[s].

FORT S[T]. GEORGE
DECEMBER THE 4TH. 1724.

JOHN EMMERSON.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

Sloop Mary Isaace D'Varenne Master from Bengall. —

dispatch'd a General Letter to F[t]. S[t]. David of this date. —

Likewise Triplicate of our last to Anjengo. —

Ship Charles imported from Bengall. 5.

The Southgate John Byers Master from Bengall. 7.

Charles Cap[n]. David Wilkie sail'd for Mocha. 8.

Rec[d]. a General Letter from Fort S[t]. David. 10.

Ships Heathcote & Aislabie arriv'd by whom rec[d]. General Letters from the President & Council of Bengall. —

Sign'd orders to the Comm[drs]. of the Europe Ships for delivery of wares & stores. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

NATH[L]. ELWICK ESQ[R]. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
JAMES MACRAE. RICHARD BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. RANDAL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

FRYDAY THE 11TH.

M[r]. Leake appointed to go to Fort S[t]. David a[gainst] the approaching festival of Christmas. M[r]. Leeke Sent to F[t]. S[t]. David.

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Secretary's report about ye. Ps. 136 : 24 : 0 omitted to be brôt. to ye. Compys. credit by Mr. Hastings& Mr. Wendey's demand in return.

The Secretary reports to the Board that he had often demanded of Mr. Wendey the sum of one hundred thirty six [pags.] twenty four fanams which was omitted by Mr. Hastings to be brought to Account for two months rent of the measuring farm recd. by him [. . .] August 1720 of Poncala Kistna and that Mr. Wendey had deliverd him a Note on the Company for one hundred & Seventeen Pagodas [ten] fanams which the said Mr. Hastings paid for Provisions for the So[ldiers] that came here on the Chandos from Bombay which note he p[roduced] and is order'd to be enter'd.

that demand to be satisfied.

Order'd that it be paid and Bombay Presidency be Debted for the same.

Mr. Blunt allowed to come up.

The President informs the Board that Mr. Blunt has in a Private letter to him desir'd leave to come to Madrass for a little time which is Agreed to since he will leave none or very little of the Companys Effects behind him.

Bills of Exchs. sign'd.

Bills of Exchange of this days date on the Honble Court of Directors at two months sight and eight Shillings ℔ pagoda given to the order of Mrs. Grace Orrill for one hundred & twenty pounds Sterling or three hundred pagodas value of Charles Peer[s].

James Hubbard Land Customer reads that Account for last month Vizt.

Choultry Customs	Ps.	186	10	73
Ruby Brokeridge		27	7	65
Registering slaves		—	8	—
		213	26	58

ballance due from him one hundred ninety four Pagodas one fanam and fifty eight cash.

General Letters.

General Letters read Vizt.

From Fort St. David.

N°. 173 from the Deputy Governour & Councill of Fort St. David dated the 8th. December advising that they had sent a Muster of the Nagore Cloth to Tranquebar to see if any thing could be done there and advising some further Particulars relating to their Sorting.

2 from Bengal.

N°. 174 & 175 From the President & Councill of Fort Will[m.] both dated the 28th. November last, In the first they advise the receipt of the goods sent them by the Heathcote & what part of her cargo for Europe and stores for this place they have return'd by her, That the Stretham & France[s] are near loaden and that after they are gone they will send us up th[e] Lead &cra. demanded from thence, that Mr. Falconer has paid thirty thousand Madrass Rupees into their Cash for Account our President and that they are out of Debt. They further advise that they have paid freight for the goods sent them on the Elizabeth, That the Master of the Young Derby has embezled some of the Stores of the Vessel &cra. and that she is Sold for thirteen hundred & fifty rupees, Likewise that they have advis'd the Commanders of the Europe Ships not to demand any Salt Petre here and Lastly they inclose us a price Currant of China goods desiring us not to send any Quicksilver or Vermillion because of the Stock they have already by them. In the other Letter they advise the Amount of her Cargoe design'd home and of the Stores sent us and that they have put the one ℔ Cent on Board each ship for St. Helena.

Accompt. reports a [debt] due to Mootamar Chitty wch. is Orderd to be paid.

The Accomptant reports that upon ballancing the Books ending Aprill 1724, he finds an old Debt of fifty Pagodas five fans. & Seven Cash due to Moota Mar Chitty &cs. Joint Stock merchts. for ballance of their Contract.

Which is Order'd to be paid.

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Arrack rent paid in.

Henry Crawford Farmer of the Arrack & Wine License pays into Cash three hundred thirty five Pagodas for last months rent of that farm ending the 5th. instant.

[Rent of] ye. New Villages [paid].

Sunca Ramah &ct. Renters of the five new Villages pay into Cash twelve hundred pagodas for one Years rent of the said Villages due the 17th. October last.

Company's Merchts. [pro]posals about yeir. debt to ye. Compy.

The Warehousekeeper then Reported to the Board that the Companys Merchants had been with him abt. the Debt demanded of them last Consultation day and desir'd him to inform the Board That they hop'd they Should be allow'd to pay it in cloth But if that could not be granted that then they Should have time given them for the Payment And as for Interest they had been in Mr. Hastings's time very much in advance for the Company and as they charg'd no Interest to the Company they hop'd the Board would not insist upon it with them.

[con]cessions thereupon.

Upon the debate It was Agreed that We will allow them two months from this Day to pay their Debt and that the Consideration of the interest be deferr'd till that time.

N. Elwick.
Jas. Macrae.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

The Rt. Honble. United East India Compny. Dr.

To Estate of Francis Hastings Esqr. deceas'd paid Mr. William Wake for what he disburs'd account wages due to the Bombay Soldiers upon Ship Chandois ... ... Pags. 117 10 —

Fort St. George
February the 19th. 1721/2.

T. Wendey, *Exr.*
to Francis Hastings Esqr.

This is to Certfie that the late Francis Hastings Esqr. did advce. me the sume abovemention'd for the end Specified in this Account.

August the 10th. 1722.

W. Wake.

Sent a Letter to Ingeram by Peons with Leave for Mr. Blunt to come up to Madrass. —

Ship Southgate Captn. John Byers Commr. saild for the Malabar Coast and Suratt. 13

Ship Jenny Galley John Witherington Master arriv'd from Vizagapatm. By whome Receiv'd a General Letter. 14

At a Consultation

Present

Nathl. Elwick Esqr. Governs. President.
James Macrae. Richard Benyon.
John Emmerson. Randal Fowke.
James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Tuesday the 15th.

Petition of ye. Surgeon's mate

Petition of Andrew Munroe read setting forth that his Dyet and Wages were ten Pagodas ℔ month but that they are now reduced to seven which is not sufficient to maintain him and he hopes they will be continued as formerly.

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granted. AGREED that he be allow'd ten Pagodas ℔ month there being now no more than one Mate and that the Paymaster do pay him and Mr. Farquharson the Arrears due to them.

General Letters from Vizagapatam read. General Letters from Vizagapatam N°. 176 & 177 recd. by the Jenny Galley read the former dated the 25th. Novr. gives us advice that their Nabob is retir'd upon the news of Marlbrize Cawn's death to a Fort and is preparing to transport himself & family to Suratt, but that the Country is as Yet in peace. They promise to observe our Orders about their expences and give some reasons for the continuance of the forces they now maintain. They likewise enclose an Account of their revenues for last Year with remarks upon them. They further advise that the Goodfellow was fallen in a Little to Leeward, that they had landed the treasure & forwarded that for Ingeram under care of eight Peons And inclose Invoice & bill of lading for one hundred & twenty bales on board the Jenny. The other Letter is dated the 8th. instant, advises the Goodfellows being blown off the Coast again and desire us to Send them some Timbers to repair the Terrace of their Magazine which is fallen in and that we will send them some old screws as a Muster for maks. bale screws theirs being quite worn out, they likewise desire some medicines.

Debate about the dispatch of ye. Europe Ships. There being now two Europe Ships in the Road it was consider'd what Quantity of goods We had ready for the Dispatch of them to Europe and upon a Calculate of what We had ready here and expected from the Northward with what more We might provide by the 20th. of January We found We should be able to lade the Heathcote And that if they could procure five hundred Bales at Fort St. David the Aislabie might be dispatch'd in Company with her. AGREED therefore to write immediately thither to know what they can do.

Captn. Tolson to get his Ship ready. ORDER'D that Captain Tolson do get the Heathcote ready for taking in Bales as fast as possible.

Mar Kistna's affair enter'd upon but defferred. The Board then proceeded upon the Complaints against Mar Kistna & Budderoyah being called in his declaration was read but the Witnesses not being ready the Consideration of this affair was deferr'd till Thursday morning.

Tobacco & Beetle rent paid in. Poncala Kistna pays into Cash five hundred Eighty three Pagodas twelve fanams for last months rent of the Tobacco & Beetle Farm due the 5th. instant.

N. ELWICK.
JAS. MACRAE.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

TO THE HONBLE. NATHL. ELWICK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CRA. COUNCILL.

THE PETITION OF ANDREW MUNROE
SURGEONS MATE AT THE HOSPITALL OF FORT ST. GEORGE

HUMBLY SHEWETH

That Your Petitioner being inform'd that Your Honour &cra. Councill intended among other regulations to lessen his Usual monthly allowance of ten Pagodas for Salary and board Wages to seven pagodas ℔ month He intreats You will please to consider after enquiry is made if the former allowance was more than bar[e] maintenance to him or any other that is capable to Discharge the trust that is put in Your Petitioner and he will ever Pray &cra.

Dispatch'd a General to Fort St. David Overland.

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At a Consultation

Present

THURSDAY THE 17TH. 1724.

NATHANL. ELWICK ESQR.	GOVR. PRESIDENT.
JAMES MACRAE.	RICHARD BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.	RANDAL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.	GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.	

Bills of Exchange dated the 15th. instant Sign'd pay[able] by the Honble Court of Directors to Mr. Bennet Martin or Order at two months sight and eight shillings for a Pagoda for Pounds Sterling two hundred ninety two & two Shillings or Seven hundred & thirty pagodas nine fanams value of John Lauder Attorney for Nathaniel Turner Esqr. Bills of Exchs. Sign'd.

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Mintmaster reads that Acct. for last month ballance due from him fifteen pagodas thirty fanams and forty Cash which he now pays in. Mint acct. read.

The Warehousekeeper delivers to the Board Estimates of the Tonnage now on Board the Heathcote and Aislabie by which it appears that the former wants forty & three eighths tons and the latter seventy two and five sixteenths to compleat their ladings according to Charter Party which Estimates are Order'd to be enter'd after this Consultation. Estimates of ye. tonnage on board ye. Europe Ships delt. in.

The Board then proceeded upon Budderoyahs affair with Mar Kistna as enter'd after Consultation of the 8th. of Septem. 1722 and demanded of him his Proofs for the severall allegations laid down in his complaint, the Cheif Peon that then was being called in was ask'd from whom he receiv'd orders for confining the said Budderoyah and said from Mr. Hastings. The peon to whom he was deliver'd from the Cheif Peon was likewise call'd in But tho' Kistna himself, Budderoyah & the Cheif Peon all affirm'd this to be the man He declar'd he did not so much as know Budderoyah. Mar Kistna's affair proceeded upon Budderoyah's complaint.

The Evidence in this Examination appear'd very weak but the gross of the complaint being pretty well known to the Majority of the Board It appeared that the said Budderoyah had been very ill us'd But that Kistna was not further guilty than in negotiating this matter by his Masters orders and having been too ready to engage in the Prosecution. Opinion thereof.

The Mint Braminees were then call'd in & being ask'd what treatment they receiv'd on Account of a bag of rupees lost out of the Mint they replied that upon coining a parcel of Silver for the Company They were forced to make it good, That besides Kistna Sent for them and forced the whole body to give a bond for 1500 pagodas to Surahmannar that they might not be further troubled about this affair That they had paid nine hundred Pagodas of the money but that on the change of Government they receiv'd back their money and bond. Over and above the said bond. One of the said Braminees declar'd he had paid Kistna three hundred and twenty Pagodas himself because a Conjurer Kistna brought s[d]. He had taken the money but that afterwards Kistna gave it him back and bid him pay it Mr. Hastings which He accordingly did, being ask'd if he had any Witnesses to the said Payment he replied that when he gave it Kistna there were two people by but that they were dead but that when he gave it Mr. Hastings all the Braminees knew it. In answer to this latter complaint Kistna said the Braminees themselves accused the complainant. Mint Braminees Second Complaint.

In this case it appear'd that Mar Kistna had forc'd a bond from these People for himself because that after the change of Government He had repaid the money receiv'd thereupon and deliver'd up the Bond Whereas had it been as in the former case for his Master it could not have been expected from him. Opinion thereof.

The complaint of Moota Comorah and Tellensinga was next read setting forth that Kistna had forced from them one thousand pagodas for his Master & one thousand for himself on account of a Woman that died in their House but they being both dead the meritts of the complaint were not enter'd upon, only Kistna being Moota Comorah & Tellesinga Chitty's complaint Examin'd,

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but not finished they being both dead.

ask'd about it confess'd the whole of the Charge except what related to himself only saying the Girl hang'd herself on aecount of the Barbarity of the said people and that Mr. Hastings having fully examin'd the affair had order'd the thousand pagodas to be paid him. He added that the President had once Examin'd the affair but did not go thrô with it.

Maureaperum Tomby Chitty's Complaint.

The Complaint of Maureaperum Tomby Chitty Setting forth that Kistna had taken one hundred pagodas from him was then read and Kistnas answer demanded To which He gave the following aecounts, That one Verago had left a bulse of Rubies in Pawn with the father of the complainant who broke open the Seals and put others in, That upon Complaint made to him he sent for the Parties and advis'd them not to make the affair Publick but to adjust matters privately and that they did so and that upon finishing the affair they gave him one hundred Pagodas for Charity to his Pagoda and that the Companys Merehant Ball Chitty knew the affair.

Mar Kistna's reply.

Nairo Ball Chitty's evidence.

Ball Chitty being called in said that there was a Dispute between one Verago and the said Maureaperum Tomby Chitty which he was appointed to deeide and had made up between the two parties, being ask'd what he knew of one hundred Pagodas given Kistna and whether he had Order'd it to be given for charity when he decided the affair He said he never gave any Orders but that Kistna ask'd it for charity.

Grua's Evidence.

Grua the then Choultry Dubash being call'd in declar'd he knew Kistna had one hundred Pagodas to make up the matter and keep it from being Publick.

N. Elwick.
Jas. Macrae.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Accor. of what Ship Heathcote hath on Board & Tonnage.

					Tonn.
Gurrahs of 72 Covt.	...	15 qt.	525 ps.	@ 200℔ Tn.	2⅝
Mulmulls	...	2	230	@ 400 Do.	
Soosies	...	2	138		
Hummums	...	10	1000		
Tanjeebs	...	10	1000		
Gurrahs of 36 Covt.	...	131	9170		
Cossaes	...	100	10054		
Gurrahs Cossr.	...	85	6800		
Do. Fine	...	52	10440		
Sanoes	...	20	2000		
Mullmuls Dacca	...	10	1047		
Do. & Tajeebs	...	1	75		
Tanjeebs Dacca	...	35	3544		
Tarrendams	...	2	214		
Tanjeebs Jungall	...	2	155		114⅝
		462	45867 ps.		117¼
Cuttanees	...	9	1080 ps 600		
Baftaes	...	10	2000		
Emmertees	...	10	2000		
Seer Suckers	...	12	1989		
Carridarrees	...	1	105		
Jamawarrs	...	3	330		
		46	7504 ps.		12½

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Addatties	...	5	1041 @ 700		
Chints Patna	...	40	8000		
		45	9041 Ps.	...	12 15/16
Coopees	...	14	2033 @ 800		
Latowrees	...	20	3994		
Chittaes	...	5	827		
Fine Seerbands	...	3	643		
Nain Sooks	...	2	172		
Seer handeonnies	...	2	133		
Nainsooks & Jungul Tanjeebs	...	1	67		
Photaes	...	16	1120		
Taffaties	...	17	3400		
Fine Soot Romalls	...	71	4301		
Alliballies	...	1	128		
		152	16818	...	21
Doosutties Cossr.	...	50	3497 @ 1200	...	2 15/16
			md.		
Raw Silk	...	130 pz.	515: 8: 3 @ 10	...	34
Redwood	...	—	870 20	...	29
		Bags.			
Salt Petre	...	1500	3000 20	...	100
			lb.		
Cowries	...	220	548: 7 20	...	18
				Tonns	347 5/8
N.B: the Doosutties are Reckon'd 12 instead of 600 ps. to the Tonn				Iron Kintlage...	77
				Private trade...	15
				Tonns	439 5/8

Accr. of what Ship Aislabie hath on board and Tonnage.

		B		
Gurrahs of 72 Covt.	...	45 qt.	1575 @ 200 ℔ Ton	7 7/8
Gurrahs 36	...	50	4000 @ 400	
Saunoes	...	14	1400	
Mulmulls Dacca	...	2	166	
Cossaes	...	55	5472	
Tanjeebs	...	17	1724	
Hammums	...	13	1258	
Mulmulls	...	9	951	
Gurrahs	...	50	3500	
Soosies	...	4	383	
Chowtarrs	...	10	1445	
Mulmulls	...	15	1549	
Terrendams	...	2	207	
Seerbetties	...	4	438	
Cossaes	...	19	2060	61 3/8
		264	24553	69 1/4
Jammawars	...	4	464 ps. @ 600	
Cuttanies	...	5	360	
Seersuckers	...	15	2176	
Baftaes	...	6	1200	
Emmerties	...	20	3994	
		50	8194	13 5/8
Addatties	...	1	248 ps. @ 700	
Chints Patna	...	30	6000	
		31	6248	8 5/16

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Taffaties	...	17	3415 p^{s}. @ 800		
Photaes	...	35	2450		
Fine Soot Romals	...	75	4487		
Coopees	...	10	1500		
Latowrees	...	13	2600		
		150	14452		18$\frac{1}{16}$
Doosuttics	...	25	1750 @ 1200		1$\frac{1}{2}$
			md.		
Raw Silk	...	120 p^{s}.	466 : 5 @ 10		31$\frac{3}{16}$
Cotton Yarn	...	15	59 : 22 10		4
Redwood	...	...	720 @ 20		24
		bags			
Cowries	...	180	435 : 3 20		14$\frac{1}{2}$
Salt Petre	...	1000	2000 @ 20		66$\frac{5}{8}$
				Tonns ...	251$\frac{11}{16}$
				Iron Kintlage ...	64
				Private trade ...	12
				Tonns ...	327$\frac{1}{16}$

At a Consultation

Present

Saturday the 19th.

Nathl. Elwick Esqr. Govern^{r}. President.
James Macrae. Richard Benyon.
John Emmerson. Randal Fowke.
James Hubbard. George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Bills of Exch^{s}. given.

Bills of Exchange on the Honble Court of Directors sign'd vizt. st. 1. d. 2. & d. 3. dated the 18th. instant payable at 2 mo^{s}. sight and Eight shillings ℔ Pagoda to the Order of Captain John Gough for £ 152 : 8 : 4$\frac{1}{2}$ or Pagodas 381 : 1 : 54 value of John Lauder Attorney for Nathaniel Turner Esqr.

st. d. d.
1. 2. & 3. dated this day paya at the same time & rate to the Order of M^{r}. William Dunster for £ 53 : 15 : 6$\frac{1}{2}$ or P^{s}. 134 : 16 value of James Macrae Esqr.

Paymaster's acc^{t}. read.

Randal Fowke Paymaster reads that Acc^{t}. for last month Viz^{t}.

Charges Garrison	P^{s}. 1400	5	40
Charges General	410	11	40
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Bombay Presidency	40	—	—
Charges Diet	583	12	—
Repairs of Fortifications	35	3	70
Charges Extraordinary	31	15	20
Hospitall Charges	93	19	—
House Moveables	52	20	40
Marlbrô Fort	1	—	—
	P^{s}. 2714	3	50

ballance due from him three hundred and seventeen pagodas fifteen fanams and fifty Cash which is carried to the next months Account.

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The Extraordinary Expence of this month being Examin'd into was found to consist in the following Articles Viz^{t}. Extraordinary Expence.

BOMBAY PRESIDENCY VIZ^{r}.							
paid M^{rs}. Cowses Children	P^{s}.	15	—	—			
paid M^{rs}. Burton & her Children		25	—	—			
					P^{s}.	40	— —
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY VIZ^{r}.							
diet to 7 Prisoners as F' Marshalls note		7	—	—			
D^{o}. to 4 West coast Coffrees ... ... 6 — —		8	4	—			
Cloathing for D^{o}. ... .. 2 4 —							
paid 3 Souldiers at Christning their Children ...		3	—	—			
making a Platform for the Cloath in the new Wareh.		11	29	20			
mending the wooden Horses at the Seagate ...		1	18	—			
					31	15	20
HOSPITAL CHARGES paid arrears to the Doctors mates					50	—	—
HOUSE MOVEABLES for materials & Workmen making three Book presses for the Secretarys Office					52	20	40
FORT MARLBRÔ paid Corporal Bradleys wife ...					1	—	—
TOTALL P^{s}.					174	35	60

Petition of Thomas Blackall read as enter'd after this Consultation desiring Permission to go home on the Aislabie which is granted. Mr. Blackall's petition.

The Board then proceeded on the complaints against Mar Kistna and call'd in Moodu Lingum who declar'd that Kistna had confin'd his Brother Nummusammee and forced one hundred and five pagodas from him which he produc'd two Witnesses to prove because that he the said Moodu Lingum was gone into the Country to recover of a fitt of sickness and while He was there he was charg'd with raising insurrections among the Casts there. Mar Kistna's affair resumed. Moodu Lingum's complaint.

Kistna being examin'd about the affair told the Board that Moodu Lingum was gone into the Country where he was a principle Agent in a Quarrel between the casts, That the Country People wrote to M^{r}. Hastings, the Cheif Dubash, & Several others, telling them the inhabitants of Madrass were Setting them together by the ears and that thereupon M^{r}. Hastings confin'd the said Moodu Lingum's Brother to answer for him, but that a few days after, He was admitted to the Governour, beg'd pardon & promisd a better behaviour in future, Whereupon, and making the Govr. a present of one hundred Pagodas, he was releas'd. Kistna's Reply.

The two Witnesses being then Interrogated declar'd the same as Moodu Lingum about the confinement but said that they carried the money to Kistna who ask'd them if it was right to which they replied it was right, Whereupon the said Nummuswammee was releas'd and of this they offer'd their Oaths, as also that they did not so much as see M^{r}. Hastings but paid it Kistna in the great Hall at the Gardens. Evidence called.

They added that four days after the paym^{t}. of that money He was again confin'd and Agreed for his Liberty for one hundred and fifty Pagodas, that they carried Kistna Eighty pagodas of the money the morning of the change of Government but he would not receive it bidding them bring the whole which they promis'd to do that afternoon but in the Interim the Ships came and so they did not give that money. farther Evidence.

The affair of Moota Comerah & Tellesinga sons of Puddepauca Tomby Chitty which was only enter'd upon the last Consultation being again resumed, The father appear'd and produced his accounts wherein were sett down the Particulars of that matter as express'd in the declaration and one of his servants being present declar'd He saw Moota Comerah & Tellesinga carry and pay the two Baggs to Mar Kistna and that the next day they were sent for and he went again with them when Mar Kistna gave them one of the baggs and bid them go and give it M^{r}. Hastings which they did. Being ask'd whether they had given any Bond He replied Yes that Kistna took a bond from them for eight days & that he saw that Bond torn upon paying the two thousand Pagodas. Moota Comerah and Tellesinga's complaint resumed and Several Evidence heard about it.

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Upon y^e. whole Examination Resolved That Kistna do Stand in the pillory.

Upon Considering the Examinations the last Consultation and this together with the allegations in many other complaints against Mar Kistna the Board came to a resolution that it appear'd to them He had been guilty of a great many ill practices and ought to be Severely Punish'd for the same, but he having lain a great while in prison it was AGREED that he Suffer no more on this Account except Standing in the Pillory & that He do stand there on Monday next for two hours.

N. ELWICK.
JA^s. MACRAE.
RICH^D. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

TO THE HONBLE NATHANIEL ELWICK ESQ^R.
PRESIDENT & GOV^rs. &C^a. COUNCIL.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF THO^s. BLACKALL

SHEWETH

That Your Petitioner being desirous of returning to Europe humbly request that Your Honour &c^a. will please to Grant him an order to be receiv'd on Board the Aislabie Captain Henry Wilson & Y^r. Petitioner as in Duty bound shall Pray.

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DECEMBER Y^E. 20TH. 1724.

20 Brigantine Endeavour Victor Shee Master imported from Bengall.

20 Receiv'd a General by a Boat from Vizagapatam.

21 Receiv'd one from Fort S^t. David by the Tappies.

23 Receiv'd a General from Anjengo by Peons Overland.

25 Receiv'd a General from the Deputy Govr. & Councill of Fort S^t. David.

26 Arrived the Macclesfeild Capt. Robt. Hudson from China on whom came Geo: M. Pitt Esqr. & M^r. Nicholson.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATURDAY THE 26TH.

NATH^L. ELWICK ESQ^R. GOVERN^R. PRESID^T.
JAMES MACRAE. GEORGE MORETON PITT.
RICH^D. BENYON. JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDAL FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

M^r. Pitt takes his place at y^e. board & delivers his China acc^ts. &c^t.

M^r. Pitt after taking his place at the board deliver'd in the following Books & papers relating to the Macclesfeild Viz^t.

Invoice of Goods on Board the Macclesfeild for Europe & the bill of lading for the same

INVOICE of goods on Board the said ship for Madrass with the bill of lading
Packing Book &
Journal & Ledger.

The above were deliver'd the Warehousekeeper and Accomptant.

He likewise deliver'd in the

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Instructions from the Honble Court of Directors together with his and the other Gentlemens reply thereto which were read.

Instructions relating to the investment they were to make in China for this place and Europe which were Likewise read and deliver'd the Secretary.

Order about y^e. goods on board y^e. Macclesfield.

Order'd that the Goods on Board the Macclesfeild design'd for this place together with the Gold belonging to Messrs. Pitt and Nicholson be brought ashore as Soon as possible.

Sea Customers acct. read.

John Emmerson Sea Customer reads his Account for last month Viz^t.

Customs on Goods imported & Exported	P^s.	397	20 28
D^o. on Grain		88	30 40
P^s.		486	14 68

Ballance due from him two thousand one hundred Pagodas thirty one fanams and sixty three Cash of which he now pays in One thousand Pagodas.

petitions of Messrs. Jennings and Smith granted.

Petitions of William Jennings Esqr. and M^r. James Smith read and granted desiring permission of Passage on the Aislabie for Europe as Enter'd after this Consultation.

N. Elwick.
Ja^s. Macrae.
G.M. Pitt.
Rich^d. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

Sign'd an order to y^e. Comm^r. of the Macclesfeild for y^e. goods for this place & the Supra Cargo's gold. ...

To the Honble. Nathl. Elwick Esqr.
President & Govern^r. &c^a. Council of Fort S^t. George.

Honble. S^r. & S^rs.

I request Your Permission to take my passage upon the Aislabie to England who am

Fort S^t. George
December the 26th. 1724.

Honble. S^r. & S^rs.
Your most Humble Servant
Willm. Jennings.

To the Honble. Nathl. Elwick Esqr.
Presid^t. & Govern^r. &c^a. Council of Fort S^t. George.

Honble. S^r. & S^rs.

Whereas Your Honour &c^a. have been pleas'd to dismiss me the Honble Companys Service for leaving Fort S^t. David I beg Your permission to return to England on the Aislabie & that You'll give the Captn. an Order for receiving me & necessarys aboard.

Fort S^t. George
December 26th. 1724.

I am Your Very humble Servant
James Smith.

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At a Consultation

Present

WEDNESDAY THE 30TH.

Nath[l]. Elwick Esq[r].	Govern[r]. President.
James Macrae.	George Moreton Pitt.
Richard Benyon.	John Emmerson.
Randal Fowke.	James Hubbard.
George Drake.	Joseph Houghton.

General Letters read.

General Letters read viz[t].

From Anjengo.

N°. 180 from Anjengo dated 22[d]. Nov[r]. advising their having Lodg'd advices for all Ships concerning the Freneh and that the Europe Ships left that Port the 3[d]. of the month.

From Vizagapatam.

N°. 178 From the Cheif & Councill of Vizaga[tam]. dated the 14th. instant advising the Arrival of the Goodfellow & that they have order'd the Master to give in an indent of what necessary for her which they promise to supply. They add that they hope to fill her with Bales & get her dispatch'd by the 25th. or 30th. of y[e]. month.

From Fort St. David.

N°. 179 & 181 from the Deputy Governour & Counceill of Fort S[t]. David dated the 19th. & 23[d]. of December, in the former they tell us the design of providing cloth to the Southward has prov'd abortive, the Governour of Tranquebarr not being able to procure above fifty Bales and that dearer and worse than our Long Cloth ordinary N°. 2. They give an Account of their proceedings in the Sorting and tell us they hope to be ready for the dispatch of the Aislabie. In the other they give an Acco[t]. of their Agreement with their Bound renters and tell us they have been obliged to confine the Arrack Farmers & resolve to sett that Farm up at Outcry the 4th. of January.

From Metchlepatam.

N°. 182 & 183 From M[r]. Holcombe at Metchlepatam giving an Account of Troubles there Occasion'd by disputes between the Rajahs & Moors upon the Death of the Subah Maubrize Cawn & inclosing his months acco[t]. these Letters are dated the 20th. & 26th. of this month.

Accompt[t]. reports an error in y[e]. Metchlepat[m]. acc[ts]. to M[r]. Holcombe's prejudice.

The Accomptant reports that M[r]. Holcombe has Debted himself fifteen pagodas for batty on five hundred new pagodas whereas the payment was in current which it is AGREED to advise M[r]. Holcombe of in the next General Letter.

Exp[t]. Wareh°. acc[t]. read.

Richard Benyon Export Warehousekeeper reads that Account for last month ballance due to him four hundred fifty one pagodas ten fanams & twenty Cash which is carried to next months Account.

Imp[t]. Wareh°. acc[t]. read.

Richard Benyon Import Warehousekeeper reads that Account for November ballance due from him One thousand four hundred & sixty Pagodas thirteen fanams and thirty four Cash.

money p[d]. in for Sundries Sold at y[e]. Sea Gate on acc[t]. Owners unknown.

Randal Fowke receiver pays into Cash fifteen pagodas twenty Six fanams for the Amount of Goods Sold at Outery belonging to unknown persons which is order'd to be pass'd to proffit & Loss and the particulars are enter'd after this Consultat[n].

Land Customer's balls. p[d]. in.

James Hubbard Land Customer pays into Cash One hundred ninety four pagodas one fanam and fifty eight Cash for ballance of his last months account.

Storekrs. acc[t]. read.

George Drake Storekeeper reads his Account for November ballance due from him Seven hundred & fifteen pagodas thirty five fanams and fifteen Cash which is carried to next months Account.

Rental General & Scavinger's acc[t]. Curt. for y[e]. year read.

Joseph Houghton Rentall general & Scavinger delivers in his Account Curr[t]. ballance due from him viz[t].

Account Quit rent	Ps.	903	3 —
3 mo[s]. butteca rent & Shroff duty		77	18 —
		980	21 —
Account Scavingers Duty		136	11 20
	Ps.	1116	32 20

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Bad debts to be wrote off.

Bad Debts in this Years Account Viz^{t}.

Account Quitt rent	...	...	...	...	...	P^{s}.	135 19 —
Acc^{t}. Scavingers Duty	...	...	...	...	...		93 21 40
							229 4 40

which being for poor people &c. and unavoidable are order'd to be wrote off to Proffit and Loss.

The Account is Enter'd after this Consultation.

Orders for muster of ships Heathcote & Aislabie's men.

Order'd that the Paymaster do muster the Crews of Ships Heathcote & Aislabie.

Bills of Exchange of this date Sign'd Viz^{t}.

Bills of Exch^{s}. Signed.

1st. 2^{d} & 3^{d}. at 2 months sight & 8^{s}. ₱ pagoda payable by the Honble Court of Directors to the order of Captain William Mackett for Pounds Sterling One thousand and Sixty and twelve Shill^{gs}. or Pagodas two thousand six hundred fifty one & Eighteen fanams value receiv'd of George Sitwell.

1st. 2^{d}. & 3^{d}. at 2 months sight and eight shillings ₱ Pagoda payable by the Honourable Court of Directors to the order of M^{r}. Richards Higginson for pounds Sterling Five hundred ninety eight & nineteen shillings and three pence or Pagod^{s}. One thousand four hundred ninety seven and fourteen fanams and forty six Cash value of Richard Benyon.

M^{r}. Sitwel's paper read.

A Paper deliver'd to the Board by M^{r}. Geo : Sitwell read as enter'd hereafter relating to his going home.

[He] to have permission to go on y^{e}. Macclesfield.

Agreed that the Secretary give him a Permission to go home on the Macclesfeild.

M^{r}. Barneval's petition granted.

Petition of M^{r}. Anthony Barnevall desiring permission to send his son home upon the Aislabie read and Granted as enter'd after this Consultation.

The Aislabie to go to Fort St. David.

The Gentlemen at Fort S^{t}. David giving us hopes of their being able to dispatch the Aislabie in time for the Heathcote Agreed that she be sent down thither on Fryday.

money to be Sent on her.

Agreed further that Wee take this Opportunity of sending Ten thousand pagodas Down to them to Supply their Cash.

6 m^{o}'s rent of y^{e}. fishery p^{d}. in.

Pasqual &c^{re}. Boatmen pay into Cash twenty five pag^{s}. for six months rent of the Fishing Farm due the 25th. September last.

2 m^{o}'s rent of y^{e}. meas^{r}. duty paid in.

Nundalal & Gopaldauze Farmers of the measuring duty pay into Cash one hundred thirty six pag^{s}. twenty four fanams for two months rent of that Farm due the 20th. instant.

N. Elwick.
Ja^{s}. Macrae.
G. M. Pitt.
Rich^{d}. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.
Joseph Houghton.

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ACCOUNT OF SUNDRYS SOLD BY PUBLICK OUTCRY AT THE SEA GATE WHICH HAVE BEEN LYING IN THAT GODOWN FOR SOME TIME AND AS NO OWNERS HAVE APPEAR'D IT WAS ORDER'D BY THE HONOURABLE THE PRESIDENT AND COUNCILL OF THIS PLACE IN A CONSULTATION OF THE 16TH. NOVEMBER THAT THEY SHOULD BE PUBLICKLY EXPOS'D TO SALE VIZ^{T}.

One Rattan Matt	Mr. Tobbin	Ps.	5	27	—
One Tubb ½ full of Sugar Candy	Mr. Rouse		3	27	—
One old bridle & Saddle	Mr. Newcombe		1	—	—
One Iron Joch	Ditto.		1	1	—
One bagg of Slippers ...	Velapa		—	26	—
One Couser with two Guglets & a Baskett of Shott	Captn. Brasier		2	25	—
One Case of Empty Bottles ...	Mr. Peers		—	20	—
One bagg of Grain & one of Mint Seeds	Trivanganum		—	26	—
		Ps.	16	8	—
Deduct what paid the Cryer			—	18	—
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ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ JOHN EMMERSON.
Sea Custor.

TO THE HONOURABLE NATHL. ELWICK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVR. &CEA. COUNCILL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF ANTO. BARNIVAL

SHEWETH

That Your Petitioner is desirous of sending his son Francis Barneval to Europe for his Education & therefore requests Your Honour &ctra. will grant him a Passage on the Aislabie and as in Duty bound

Your Petitioner shall ever Pray.

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JOSEPH HOUGHTON RENTALL GENERALL.

Dr.					Cr.					
1723					1723/4					
Sept. 1	To the Hoñble Companys Account Quit rent for y^e. Year 1723	2300	15	—	Feby. 17th. By Cash paid the Honble President in Const^n.				400	3	—
	To Butteca Rent & Shroff duty for 1 Year	310	—	—	April 16th. By D^o. Viz^t.						
	To Quitt rent of y^e. Comp^s. Old Garden for 1 Year	150	—	—	On Account Quit rent	200	—	—			
	To Quit rent of Maria Pois's Garden for 1 Year	40	—	—	Six months rent of the Comp^s. old Garden ...	75	—	—			
					Three months Butteca rent & Shroff duty ...	77	18	—			
									352	18	—
					June 26th. By D^o. Viz^t.						
					On Account Quitt rent	315	19	—			
					One Years rent of Maria Pois's Garden	40	—	—			
					Three months Butteca rent & Shroff duty ...	77	18	—			
									433	1	—
					Sept. 28th. By Ditto vizt.						
					On Account Quit rent	302	31	—			
					Six months rent of y^e. Comp^s. old Garden	75	—	—			
					Three months Butteca rent & Shroff duty	77	18	—			
									455	13	—
					Dec. 30th. By D^o. vizt.						
					On Account Quit rent	903	3	—			
					Three months Butteca rent & Shroff duty ...	77	18	—			
									980	21	—
									2621	20	—
					By Servants wages for 1 Year	43	12	—			
					By Proffit & Loss out standing in desperate debts ..	135	19	—			
									178	31	—
	Pag^s. ...	2800	15	—	PAGODAS ...				2800	15	—

ERRORS EXCEPTED

Pr. JOSEPH HOUGHTON

Scavinger.

Joseph Houghton Scavinger

Dr.					Cr.			
1723				1723/4				
Sept. 1st.	To the Honble Companys Acco^{t}. Scavengers duty for the Year 1723 ...	1036	25 —	Feb. 17th. By Cash paid the Honble President in Consultation			42	14 —
				April 16th. By Do.			50	— —
				Sep 28th. By Do.			100	— —
				Dec. 30th. By Do.			136	11 20
							328	25 20
				By Servants wages making & mendg Carts & feeding the Buffaloes for one year ... Ps.	494 14 20			
				By the allowance to the Rentall Gen. and Scavenger ...	120 — —			
						614 14 20		
				By Proffit and Loss outstanding in desperate Debts ...		93 21 40		
							707	35 60
						Pagodas ...	1036	25 —

Errors Excepted

℔ Joseph Houghton

Scavinger.

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To the Hoñble the Presidt. & Council
of Fort St. George.

I am perswaded Your Honour &c. have not entirely forgot that when you were pleas'd to inform me in August last it was the Companys pleasure I should return to England I deliver'd You my Humble request that I might continue a Year longer in India to gather in my Effects and Your Honour &cra. were then so fully convinc'd it was agreeable to common Justice and Equity as well as to the letter of my Covenants that You were pleas'd to allow of my stay a Year longer and I had so great a dependance upon the faith & honour of the Board That I made no doubt whoever might succeed you I should not be again troubled till the time granted me was expired. How be it having some intimation that the said order of the Companys will again be made the Subject of Your debates I have not thot it improper to deliver this to You; not with design to enter into any Argument with You how far the same may be just because your honr. &c. may not perhaps think Yourselves alltogether Qualified to determine it but to represent to You, that it is an Order with which if I must comply and return to England upon one of the Ships now bound thither, it will be a vast prejudice to my affairs and a misfortune so much the greater as the time of their departure is so very Short. I could wish therefore that You would take the same into Your Consideration and confirm the Liberty before given me. But least the mention of me should take up too much of your time and be attended with any Differences of Opinion that may likewise Occasion some further disagreeable Consequences, whereby your other affairs may be obstructed: To prevent I say anything so pernicious; If Your honr. &cra. will please to send me an Order to the Captain of the Macclesfeild to receive me with my Necessarys on board; I shall put my affairs in the best Order I can and Embark on her when she is ready to sail. I am

Honble. Sr. & Srs.
Your most Humble Servant

George Sitwell.

Fort St. George
December 30th. 1724.

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